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SENSATIONAL PIRACY.

Norwegian Ship Taken To Bias Bay.

CAPTAIN & SECOND OFFICER SHOT.

Gold Bars and Loot Valued at \$23,000.

COMPRADORE AND PASSENGERS HELD.

Chief Officer's Account of Outrage.

Bias Bay was the scene of another piracy outrage yesterday when, 120 miles south of Hong Kong the Norwegian steamer "Solvik" was attacked by Chinese and taken to the famous rendezvous.

Both the master, Capt. R. Gentoft, and the second officer, D. Johnsen, were shot by the pirates. They are now in the French Hospital. The captain is in a serious condition, suffering from two wounds in the lower part of the body, below the heart. He has lost a lot of blood but can speak. Mr. Johnsen was shot twice in the arm, and when seen in hospital this morning, despite having been on duty 24 hours after the outrage, was cheerful.

Loot captured from the ship totals about \$23,000, and includes two cases of gold bars, silks, threads, etc., as well as passengers' belongings. The only thing taken from the officers' quarters was the captain's gramophone. The pirates left the records.

Eight Chinese, including the compradore, were taken prisoners and kept at Bias Bay.

This is the first time for a number of years that an ocean-going steamer has carried pirates aboard who must have embarked at Hong Kong. The "Solvik" was on her way from the Colony to Saigon and had called at no port in the time between leaving here and the attack.

The gold specie was no doubt meant as payment for a cargo of rice which was to have been brought back to Hong Kong.

LEFT HONG KONG ON TUESDAY.

The first news of the piracy to reach Hong Kong was a wireless despatched from the pirated ship when she was released at Bias Bay this morning. The message stated that the ship had been pirated 130 miles S.W. by S. of Gap Rock at 5 a.m. on Wednesday after having left Hong Kong at 8 a.m. on Tuesday. The Captain and Chief Officer were badly wounded, stated the message, and would be required to proceed to hospital at once. The vessel had been diverted from her course to Saigon, brought back past Gap Rock and taken to Bias Bay where the loot had been removed, passengers and the chief compradore taken as hostages, the pirates had left and the ship allowed to proceed to Hong Kong at 5 a.m.

The "Solvik," which is a 2,398 tons (gross) ship and the agents for which in Hong Kong are the Fau Yuen Hong firm of 21, Bonham Strand, West, (owners, Wallen and Co., of Bergen, Norway), arrived in Hong Kong this morning and anchored off Stonecutters.

Chief Officer's Story.

Interviewed on board, Mr. Eliert Konow, Chief Officer, said that he was asleep in his bunk at the time of the piracy. He was awakened by someone hitting him on the head with something. When he awoke, he found three men standing by his side with automatic pistols. One of the men spoke in English, which the Chief Officer understands fairly well. The officer was asked if there were any arms on board.

The Chief Officer told them that there were no arms on board and he was then taken to the mess room by the pirates.

He was only there a few minutes when he was taken up to the bridge by two armed men who told him to turn the ship about and proceed in the direction of Hong Kong. Knowing that resistance was useless, the Chief Officer complied.

"Meant Business."

"I knew that the pirates meant business," said the Chief Officer to a "China Mail" representative this morning, "for on my way to the bridge I had passed the skipper (Richard Gentoft) lying on the deck badly wounded. He added that the circumstances under which the skipper had been shot were not absolutely clear. It was known that he had been awakened in his cabin by armed men and the surmise was that he told them to get out, whereupon, thinking that he meant to resist, the pirates shot him out of hand.

Struggle on Bridge.

The 2nd Officer (Mr. Johnsen), who was also shot, was on watch on the bridge at the time of the piracy. It appears that he saw a man approach him, apparently alone. Suspecting his purpose, the 2nd Officer immediately closed with him, but was immediately shot at by another man who was

apparently covering the approach of the other. Mr. Johnsen was then overpowered.

Continuing with his story, the Chief Officer said that the Captain and the 2nd Engineer were taken to the Captain's cabin, where the pirates allowed the other officers to dress their wounds after which the Chief Officer was taken back to the bridge and told to steer a course for Bias Bay. All the directions were given through the medium of the leader of the gang who had a good command of English.

Threat to Kill.

The pirates told the Chief Officer that if he refused to obey their instructions all the white officers would be killed. On the Chief Officer indicating that he had no alternative but to obey and he would follow their instructions, the pirates gave a guarantee that none would be hurt and that neither the possessions of the officers nor of the crew would be touched.

This promise was carried out, with the exception of the Captain's gramophone, which evidently one of the pirates took a fancy to. The Captain had a wad of \$600 in Hong Kong banknotes in his cabin. This was not touched.

The Chief Officer stated that the pirates allowed him to leave the bridge to have tiffin whilst the 2nd Officer, whose wounds had been dressed, took duty for a while. The same arrangement was allowed at dinner time.

The Loot.

The ship arrived at Bias Bay late last night and two sampans immediately came alongside and took off the loot. This consisted of two boxes of gold bars (value, \$20,400), which was being taken down to Saigon and was in the Captain's cabin; the rest of the loot consisting of articles taken from the 380 Chinese passengers, and plundered cargo—silk thread, cotton tassels, blackwood ware and silk piece goods.

The pirates directed that the "Solvik" should be taken three miles higher up into the Bay and here two of the ship's boats were lowered and the pirates put off, taking with them seven of the crew and the 2nd Engineer (Mr. Sando). These were allowed to return when the pirates had reached ashore, but it was afterwards found that two first class Chinese passengers and a boy had been taken by the pirates for ransom, two from the 2nd class and two from the 3rd class.

Compradore Taken.

The compradore of the ship, Mr. Muk Shung-san, was also found to have been kidnapped. A small boat was missed from the ship and it was at one time thought that he had succeeded in escaping, but his son, Mr. Luk Wing-chung, who was also on board, says that he was taken away in this boat under pirate escort.

One partying shot the pirates

BIG EXPLOSIONS.

Fierce Fire Caused Near Nanking.

AMMUNITION ABLAZE.

Anti-Borodin Posters in Hankow.

Nanking, July 19.

An explosion, probably caused by oil or benzine, occurred at 8 p.m. in the vicinity of the railway pontoon on the Nanking side of the river.

A fierce fire followed, and there were four subsequent explosions—these being apparently ammunition.

The fire is still burning.—British Naval Wireless.

[A Hankow message dated yesterday reports that the explosion occurred at Hsiakwan.]

Gallen Holding Meetings.

Hankow, July 20.

Anti-Borodin posters have appeared in Hankow.

The Russian General, Gallen, is still in Hankow and is holding meetings.

The "Christian General," Feng Yu-hsiang, has sent troops to Pukow to act as an escort for the delegates who are conferring with General Chiang Kai-shek regarding negotiations for a truce between the North and the South for the purpose of combining

SHANGHAI'S INCREASED RATES.

Police Patrols Accompany Collectors.

Shanghai, July 21.

The Settlement authorities are determined to enforce the increase in rates.

Yesterday Police patrols accompanied the collectors and picketed those shops refusing to pay.

The authorities notified the owner of a well-known ham shop that, failing payment within 24 hours, they will shut up the shop under the conditions of the licence, whilst those not paying are liable to similar treatment, the guests being turned out.—Reuter.

against the Hankow Reds.—British Naval Wireless.

A Friendly Sign.

Kiukiang, July 19.

One of His Majesty's gunboats has arrived at Hukow, and has exchanged friendly visits with the military authorities.—British Naval Wireless.

NICE LIGHT WINDS!

"Light, variable winds, freshening from north east" is the official weather report until noon to-morrow.

are reported to have made as they were leaving was to the Chief Officer. "You can tell them (presumably the Hong Kong authorities) to send their aeroplanes over, but they won't find us!"

According to Mr. Luk Wing-cheung, there were fifteen or sixteen pirates, all of whom boarded the ship, and the pirates, who were taken to the saloon and kept prisoner there for nineteen hours by five pirates. He was joined later by other officers. At midnight he was made to go to the engine room and work the engines until 4.30 a.m. this morning when the ship arrived at Bias Bay. At the outset, he, together with the other officers, was told that if he kept quiet he would come to no harm.

According to another report, one of the Chinese deck passengers was wounded on resisting search.

The "Solvik" was manned by a crew of 58 Chinese and 6 Chinese officers. The ship is engaged in the rice trade between Hong Kong and Saigon.

FERDINAND'S END.

Royal Family At Bedside.

PAINLESS PASSING.

King Michael I. Proclaimed And Outed.

Bucharest, July 20.

The death is announced of King Ferdinand.

The Council of Regency has entered upon its functions.—Reuter.

Loss Fully Expected.

Bucharest, July 20.

Ever since Queen Marie curtailed her American tour in response to a summons from Bucharest on account of the

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Cross-Word Puzzle Competition Result.

The result of the "China Mail's" eleventh \$50 Cross-Word Puzzle (Second Series) will be found on page 6 of this issue. This week there are six winners with two errors each.

King's illness, the health of Ferdinand has threatened to be a disturbing element in Balkan politics.

In spite of periodical and reassuring reports, there has been little doubt that there would be a fatal termination to the malignant malady from which the King was suffering.

In addition to the menace of trouble on the part of the supporters of Crown Prince Carol, who is an exile in Paris, it is reported that the ambition of Premier Averescu to establish a dictatorship in the event of the King's death led to a crisis last June, which Ferdinand himself dramatically solved from his sickbed by sending an official intimation to the conference of the Party leaders under Averescu, that Prince Stirbey had been entrusted with the formation of a Cabinet.

Prince Stirbey's Cabinet was short-lived and was replaced by a Coalition under M. Bratianu. Both Prince Stirbey and M. Bratianu are opposed to the return of ex-Crown Prince Carol.

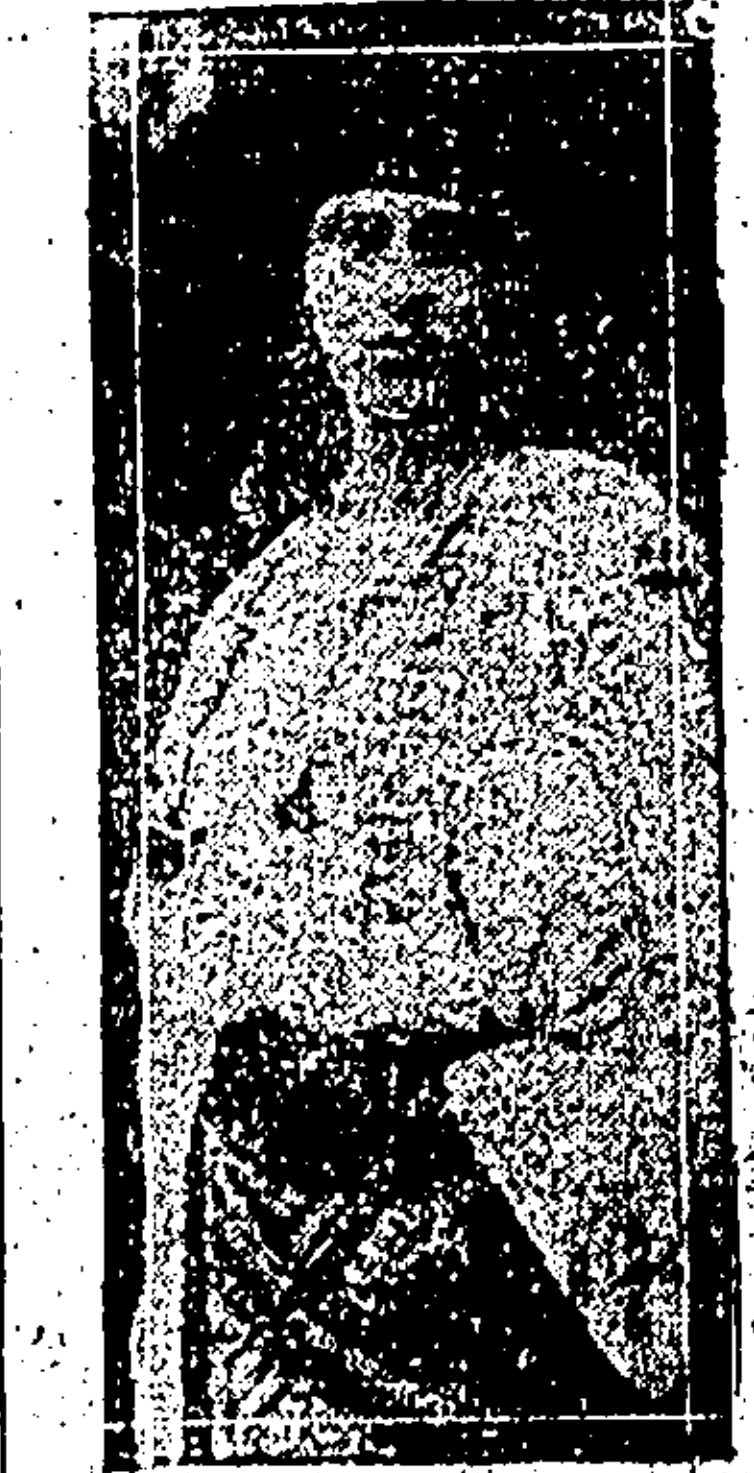
The Council of Regency now formed is headed by Premier Bratianu's Minister of War, General Angelesco.

The troops are confined to barracks as the Government is determined to prevent any attempt at a coup d'etat by the Carolists.—Reuter.

Last Moments.

Bucharest, July 20.

The King's condition, which



Princess Ileana.

became more serious during the past two days, rapidly became worse last night.

The last sacrament was administered at midnight.

His Majesty was conscious throughout and suffered no pain at the end.

Queen Marie, the Queen of Yugoslavia, the ex-King, and ex-Queen of Greece, the child heir apparent (Prince Michael), Prince Nicholas, and Princess Ileana were all at the bedside.

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FOR CANADA.

Two Princess & Premier Leaving.

COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMME.

Series Of Official Ceremonies Arranged.

Rugby, July 20.

Their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales and Prince George, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, and Mrs. Baldwin leave London on Saturday to attend the Canadian Diamond Jubilee celebration.

The programme of the visit to Canada is issued. The party will sail from Southampton aboard the C.P.R. liner "Empress of Australia" and will arrive at Quebec on Friday, July 29. They will stay in Quebec until Sunday, being officially welcomed and entertained.

After attending a service in Quebec Cathedral on the Sunday the Princes and the Prime Minister will leave by steamer for Montreal, Monday, August 1, will be spent in Montreal, the party attending various official and social functions in their honour.

On August 2 a journey will be made to Ottawa, where three days will be spent. The official ceremonies will include a dinner given by the Dominion Government at

COST OF THE FORCES.

Some Striking Figures Submitted.

London, July 20.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. C. P. Trevelyan, Mr. Worthington Evans said that the extra cost of the Shanghai Defence Force Army Funds, excluding the Marine battalion, was estimated to March 31, 1927, at \$250,000 and subsequent to March 31 at approximately \$1,000,000 for capital and transport charges, and approximately \$250,000 monthly for extra maintenance charges.—Reuter.

Parliament Buildings, at which important speeches will be made; the unveiling of a statue of Sir Wilfred Laurier, late Premier of Canada, by the Prince of Wales; and the dedication of a Memorial Chamber in the tower of Parliament Buildings.

The party will afterward proceed to Toronto, and thence visit Niagara Falls.

From this point the Prince of Wales has no further official engagements.

The Prime Minister, however, will visit various other cities in the Dominion before leaving North Sydney on his return to Britain on August 28.—British Wireless Service.

The King's Interest.

London, July 20.

The Cabinet met to-day when the Ministers took formal farewell of Mr. Baldwin prior to his departure for Canada.

His Majesty the King conversed at some length with Mr. Baldwin at Buckingham Palace in regard to his trip to Canada.—Reuter.

Acting Prime Minister.

London, July 20.

It is officially announced that Sir Austen Chamberlain will act as Prime Minister during Mr. Baldwin's visit to Canada.—Reuter.

PROMOTION.

COMDR. J. B. NEVILLE, D.S.O., R.N.

Lt.-Comdr. J. B. Neville, D.S.O., R.N., acting Harbour Master, Hong Kong, has been promoted to the rank of Commander.

The information is contained in an Admiralty notice dated June 17 which reads:

"I am directed by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to acquaint you that you have been promoted to the rank of Commander on the Retired List as from June 17, 1927."

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 1/1 15/16

RESIST TAXATION DEMANDS!

Sequel To Boycott Against Hong Kong.

SIR HENRY POLLOCK'S VIEWS.

Tenders Advice to British Government.

Sir Henry Pollock, of Hong Kong, interviewed by Reuter in London, says that it is imperative that the British Government should resist the taxation demands of the Nanking Government.

These demands, he asserts, are the natural sequel to the prolonged and unresisted boycott of Hong Kong.

If Nanking's demands are not resisted, other local Chinese authorities will make similar disastrous exactions on foreign trade and devote the funds to more intensive civil warfare.

BREACH OF TREATIES.

London, July 20.

Sir Henry Pollock, the senior unofficial member of the Legislative Council in Hong Kong, who returns to Hong Kong in November, has been interviewed by Reuter in London.

Sir Henry expressed the opinion that it was imperative that the British Government should resist the taxation demands of the Nanking Government, which are a breach of the Treaties.

He said that these recent demands were the natural sequel of the prolonged and unresisted Canton-Hong Kong anti-Treaty boycott, which enriched its promoters yet, by lying propaganda, was represented all over the world as an unselfish and patriotic movement.

Sir Henry Pollock repudiated the apparently prevalent idea that British and Chinese in the Far East were mutually opposed. He declared that if Nanking's demands were not resisted, other local Chinese authorities would make similar disastrous exactions on foreign trade, devoting the funds thus obtained to a more intensive civil warfare.—Reuter.

CHINESE AUTONOMY.

Essence of the Problem Defined.

Honolulu, July 20.

The Institute of Pacific Relations at great length discussed the question of Chinese autonomy, four Committees being occupied,

ALLEGED MUTINY.

SEQUEL TO STORM AT SEA.

CHINESE BEFORE COURT.

On a voyage from Balingtang in the Dutch East Indies to Japan, the Java-China-Japan Line s.s. "Tjilandi" (Capt. Hillegaard) was

caught in a typhoon and severely battered when about 150 miles east of Balingtang Channel, and approximately 1,000 miles East-South-East of Hong Kong. To add to the 13 European officers' difficulties in the teeth of the typhoon, the Chinese seamen of the ship refused to work, and the officers accomplished almost the impossible for the ship to make her way back up Balingtang Channel in the typhoon, the vessel fought its way towards Hong Kong as the nearest port from where the ship was at the time the wind rose. She arrived in port on Tuesday evening and went to the Taikoo Dock. Yesterday morning more trouble broke out among the crew, who demanded to be paid off, and it eventually developed into a fight between the Officers and the men.

The sequel was heard in Mr. R. E. Lindell's Court at the Central Magistracy this morning when two of the Chinese crew who were said to be the ringleaders of the trouble were charged with assaulting Mr. P. J. de Greeuw, Chief Engineer, and Mr. P. C. Nannik, Third Officer. The accused were respectively a seaman carpenter and a sailor.

Refused to Work.

In the witness box Mr. Nannik said that early on the morning of July 16, they encountered high seas with signs of an approaching typhoon. The Officers decided to make the ship as seaworthy as possible. The Chief and Fourth Officers accordingly called upon the Chinese crew to get to work, but the men refused to work. Mr. Nannik said that the men were led in this by second accused whom the witness described as a Bolshevik who was always talking. Soon afterwards the ship ran into the typhoon and all her hatches were blown away.

Then came a temporary lull and the European Officers set about to make the ship seaworthy. The Chief and Second Officers tried to close the cargo hatches, while the Engineers closed the spare bunkers. Both the Chief and Second Officers

inter alia, with the question of lkin and the possibility of the Nationalists gaining control of the Government in China.

The British and American delegates expressed confidence in their Governments to recognise the Chinese right to tariff autonomy when a National Government was established in Peking and lkin was abolished.

Discussion centred around a monograph by Mr. Joshua Bau, who holds that the essence of the Chinese problem is the ability of the authorities of the country to abolish lkin.

Britain Ready to Help.

Sir Frederick Whyte said that Great Britain wanted to help China and co-operate on the tariff question.

All the delegates were agreed that when a Government was established representing all China it should be immediately recognised by the other Powers. The Chinese delegates expressed their optimism in regard to the proceedings of the conference.—Reuter's American Service.

were seriously injured while tackling the cargo hatches, so Mr. Nannik assumed the post of Chief Officer until yesterday. During all this time the crew still stood about and refused to assist.

Officers Struck.

When the ship reached Hong Kong she tied up at Taikoo. At Taikoo the crew still refused to work, and yesterday morning they refused to come on deck when ordered to do so. The Officers attempted to handcuff the two accused who were the instigators of all the trouble, but they resisted.

At this stage Mr. Lindell said that he thought that the case was hardly one for a Police Magistrate to deal with. He thought it should go before the Marine Court, and instructed Inspector Murphy to communicate with the Water Police.

After His Worship personally got into touch with the Harbour Master and was informed that as the ship was foreign the case should be dealt with by the Police Magistrate. The case was then resumed.

Continuing his evidence, Mr. Nannik said that the second accused struck the Chief Engineer in the chest and called out to the other seamen to help him. Nine of them came at the run towards the starboard alleyway amidships. They were led by the first accused in the attack on the Officers. Some of the men succeeded in getting through before the witness was able to close the alleyway door. The other men rushed in through the port alleyway door. Five men attacked the witness who stood with his back to the starboard alleyway door.

First accused hit the witness in the mouth and face. The Chief Engineer went to the witness's assistance and flung the first accused down the deck. This man came back at the Chief Engineer "like a tiger." The Europeans eventually won the fight.

Mr. Lindell: Did you knock them out?—No, we drove them back.

Then the witness put up the police flag. Immediately after this all the crew with the exception of three went ashore and stood about the Dockyard until the arrival of the police. The witness then went ashore and pointed out the two defendants to Inspector Murphy.

By the Magistrate: Second accused did not take part in the general fight because the Officers succeeded in handcuffing him simultaneously with the seamen's rush.

Engineer's Story.

Mr. Gresuw, the Chief Engineer, said that after the ship's arrival in Hong Kong on Tuesday, the engineers came to him and asked to be paid off. He promised to speak to the Captain about it. The men told him that the sailors would fight if they were not paid off. Yesterday morning the witness's men refused to work. It was quite clear that they were instigated by the sailors who were loitering on the hatches. Second accused, the

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LAM MING-FAN,
Secretary.

L. G. CHONG,
Manager.

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All communications to be addressed to the Secretary.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
LAM MING-FAN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th July, 1927.

AMAZING MASQUERADES.

WOMEN WHO HAVE POSED
AS MEN.

STRANGER THAN FICTION.

State intrigues, the love of romance, the spirit of adventure, the daring of heroism—these are among the motives that have inspired many women to masquerade as men, and who in playing the part of impersonators have taken a course which is usually short cut to notoriety. But, says the "Glasgow Weekly Herald," others have adopted the guise of manhood from the highest motives, and it must be admitted that feminine heroism in this category has frequently risen to great heights.

One of the most amazing cases of male impersonation by women in modern times is that recently reported from the United States, where, after practising medicine in the back regions of the Ozark Mountains for 25 years; Dr. M. V. Mayfield, now 74 years old, was revealed by her own illness to be a woman. She disclosed that she had carried on the deception since her childhood when her family in England needed a son to protect their property rights. At that time, while still an infant, she was dressed as a boy and was reared as such. Beyond these brief facts she refused to divulge her story and the events in her life which led up to that day, more than a quarter of a century ago, when she became a medical practitioner in the wilds of Ozark.

Earl's Granddaughter.
A parallel case in this country was that of Dr. James Barry, whose name may be found in Hart's Army List for the year 1865, at the head of the list of Inspectors-General of Hospitals. The death of Dr. Barry occurred in July of that year, and on the following day it was officially reported to the Horse Guards that the doctor was a woman. Dr. Barry's professional career had extended over half a century. Among other achievements, she had fought a duel at the Cape with Josiah Cloete. She is believed to have been the legitimate granddaughter of a Scottish earl and to have adopted the medical profession in consequence of a love affair with an army surgeon.

Many instances can be cited in which women in male attire have had strange adventures. The case of Rosa Bonheur is, perhaps, the most famous. This celebrated animal painter petitioned the French Government to allow her to wear male dress at the horse fairs which she had to attend to obtain material for her pictures. The petition was successful, and for many years Mme. Bonheur went about France, universally respected, in the guise of a "man woman." Nor was Mme. Bonheur the only lady to whom the privilege was granted. At least three other women—a sculptor, a scientist, and a journalist—held a like permission from the French Government, and utilised it to the full.

Fighting Women.
Numerous cases of women who have fought in battles as common soldiers are also well known. Both the Army and Navy have contributed their share of them. For 20 years Private Jorgensen, late of the Victorian Rifle led a most extraordinary career.

Though in reality a woman, her sex was never suspected. So anxious was she to maintain her assumed character that she frequently made love to girls, whom she promised to marry but whom in each case she sooner or later deserted.

One of the most remarkable cases on record of a woman warrior who passed for a man, and fought like one, is that of Christian Cavenagh. She lived in England in the last century. Her husband, after the humane methods of the time, was kidnapped and carried off to Holland. There he had to enlist as a private soldier. Christian, hearing this, dressed as a man and enlisted as a private soldier to be near her husband. She was wounded at the battle of Landen, made prisoner by the French, and was carried to St. Germain-en-Laye where she remained until she was exchanged. She quarrelled with her sergeant, fought a duel with him, and was transferred to another regiment. Again she was wounded at Ramillies. While in hospital there her secret was discovered. She was, however, permitted to remain with the regiment as a cook.

A naval heroine was Mary Anne Talbot believed to have been a daughter of Lord William Talbot, Steward of His Majesty's Household. She saw service as a powder-monkey, under Lord Howe, in a famous battle. Subsequently she became an actress, and was entrusted with the role of "Juliet" at Covent Garden.

Earning a Living.
But male attire is frequently adopted by women either for criminal purposes or for the necessity of earning a living. In the latter category come the females who work at the coal pits of Great Britain, either above or below ground. A very large proportion of these, especially in Lancashire, wear trousers at their work.

Many other examples of men-women workers may be cited. "Lady Jock," the daughter of a distinguished naval officer, once worked on a farm near St. Mary Cray dressed in a neat Norfolk suit, with cap, leggings, and boots to match. Tall and muscular, she shared all the rough work with the labourers.

Only recently a lad of seventeen who was bound over at the Doncaster West Riding Court for having stolen the clothes of a village school-mistress dressed himself in the garments and masqueraded at the seaside and other places because he thought he would more readily obtain employment as a girl.

"Captain John Tweed" sailed the Atlantic for years as a male skipper, the secret of her sex being revealed by a post-mortem. Esther M'Ewan, a fifteen-year-old Scottish lassie, caused a sensation in 1902 by dressing as a boy and working first in a coal mine and then running away to sea as a cabin boy. She successfully completed several voyages before her sex was discovered.

With regard to criminal masqueraders, a London detective asserts that scores of women wear men's clothes in the Metropolis for nefarious reasons, but their exploits are, as a rule, sooner or later discovered.

A "Female" Count.
Of all the women who have played the part of men and died playing it, the Countess Sarolta Vay is one of the most famous. The Countess was an Austrian girl, and attained celebrity 25 years ago. She was the daughter of a Colonel, who, having a large family of daughters, brought up Sarolta as a boy. Her girlhood was passed in Budapest, where she visited cafes in men's clothing and drank and smoked with journalists and officers. She published a book of poems under the name of Sandor, and afterwards appeared in uniform. Her family tried to dissuade her from continuing her disguise, but she refused, and was next heard of as a tutor for the daughter of a school-teacher in Klagenfurt. She was known there as Count Sandor Vay, and as such married the young woman, Marie Englehardt. The swindle was shortly discovered, but not until after the Count had squandered a good share of her "wife's" money.

Still another case occurred in Hungary. There died some years ago, in Hospital at Stuhlweissenburg, a girl named Mareska Simla, who had worn men's clothes all her life. From her earliest years she took a dislike to her sex and wore boys' clothes and played with boys only. Later she studied theology, and desired to enter a clerical seminary, but was refused admission. In was refused admission. In was refused admission. In was refused admission.

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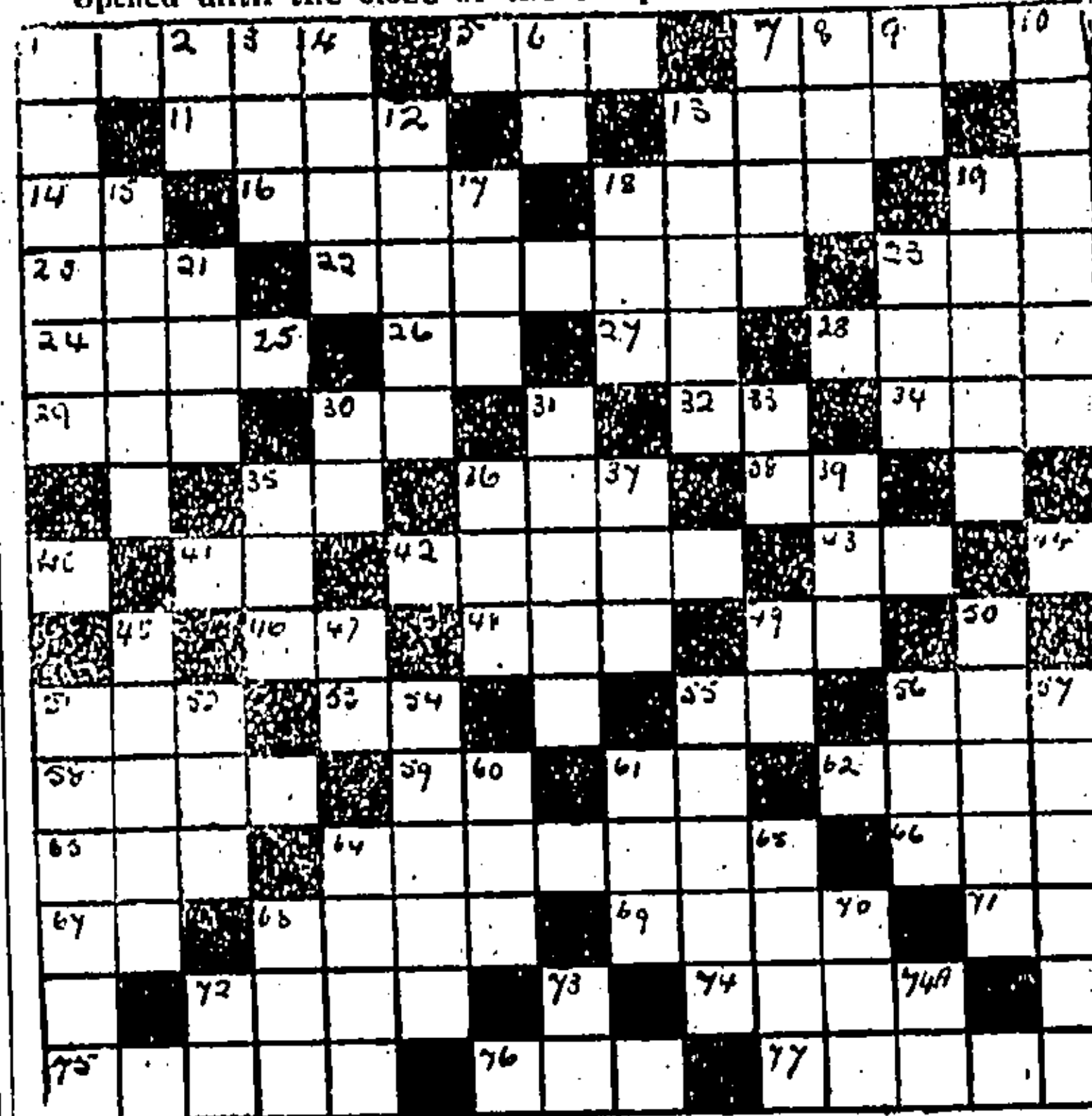
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Across.

1. A kind of candy made of molasses.
5. Swine.
7. To ask.
11. Attend.
13. Painful.
14. We.
16. Enough.
18. Possessive pronoun.
19. T.N. (Actual).
20. Fit.
22. Fearful.
23. Sea eagle.
24. The fat.
26. Negative prefix.
27. Hebrew deity.
28. A delevity.
29. A sheep in its second year.
30. A Roman weight of 12 ounces.
32. You.
34. To trouble.
35. Part of the verb, to be.
36. To imitate.
38. Belonging to me.
39. Personal pronoun.
41. Proceed.
42. A fragment.
43. Negative prefix.
44. Compass point (Abb.)
46. Compass point (Abb.)
48. Beverage.
49. Chopper.
51. A small flat fish.
53. London district (Abb.)
55. Relation of direction to an object or end.
56. Contraction of it is.
58. A lady's reticule.
59. Sun God.
61. London district (Abb.)
62. A curl.
63. To know.
64. A kind of earthenware.
66. Samuel's tutor.
67. Behold.
68. Sharp.
69. Baggalas.
71. S.R. (Actual).
72. Figure.
74. To go.
76. Gravity.
78. A Southern constellation.
79. Uproar.

Down.

1. To waste.
2. Chinese name of Buddha.
3. F.Y.E. (Actual).
4. To throw.
6. Upon.
7. Sulphate of iron.
8. A step.
9. Termination of many English words denoting an agent.
10. A rivulet.
12. One of the fruit dots on the back of the fronds of ferns.
13. Tarnish.
15. Success.
17. Tumour.
18. A lyric poem.
19. To draw along.
21. To follow closely.
23. Period.
30. Similar.
31. A splinter.
33. Printers' measure.
35. One of the elements which appear at the respective poles when a body is subjected to electro-chemical decomposition.
36. Exclamation.
37. Before.
39. Hiccough.
45. Proportion.
47. Printers' measure.
49. Same as 56 (Across).
50. A Spanish coin (plural).
51. The flesh that hangs from the throat of oxen.
52. On the contrary.
54. Violent anger.
55. To soothe.
56. Small mound (golfing term).
57. Borders.
60. Yes.
61. Termination.
62. To milk.
65. Pitches.
68. C.O.S. (Actual).
70. A species of monkey found in South America.
72. B.L. (Actual).
73. Affirmative.
74. Act.

Competitors are reminded that the prize is to be awarded for the correct solution, or if nobody succeeds in getting the correct solution, for the NEAREST correct solution. Therefore, even if you have not done the cross-word puzzle in full, send in what you have done—it may prove to be the nearest correct solution.

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The P. and O. s.s. "Rawalpindi" arrived in Hong Kong early this morning and is now tied up to one of the Kowloon piers. This is her first visit and she brought the Home mails via Suez dated June 23.

Built in 1925 by Harland and Wolff, she has a gross tonnage of 16,619; net, 9,416 and is fitted for oil fuel. The "Rawalpindi" is commanded by Captain C. M. Redhead, C.B.E., D.S.O., R.E., R.N.R., and left London on June 17 and Marseilles on June 24, under the scheme of yearly replacement of docking, which allows one vessel of the Bombay run to take over China service. In previous years this change over has brought the "Mongolia," "Kaiser-I-Hind," and "Ranpura" to Hong Kong, giving the Colony a sight of the P. & O. Company's latest development in shipbuilding.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo ex m.v. "Remo" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after July 24.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Kabinga" are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after July 25 will be subject to rent.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s. "Comeric" are reminded to take delivery of their goods before July 25.

Consignees of Cargo ex the s.s. "Amazon" are asked to send in their claims to the Agent before July 28.

A charge against the master of the s.s. "Wing Wo" of carrying passengers without a licence was dismissed by the Marine Magistrate this morning.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hole, R.N., Harbour Master, an unemployed Chinese of Wai Chow was fined \$10, or ten days' hard labour in default, for going on board the s.s. "Santhia" without permission of the Master. Defendant pleaded that he had made a mistake in the vessel.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashmir" from Hong Kong arrived at London on July 16, at 8 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" left Shanghai for this port on July 19, at 4 p.m., and is due here tomorrow, at about 7 a.m.

The s.s. "Garbata" left Singapore for this port on July 19, p.m., and is due here on July 26.

The m.v. "Delhi" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on July 13, and is due here on or about August 19.

The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected here:—

"Yalou," to-morrow.
"Chenonoux," August 2.
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HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888, & 1889. The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small. The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

July 21 to 27, 1927.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWEST WATER
July	Standard Times	Standard Times
Thurs 21	5 55 4.5 2 28 5.5 9 7 2.0	7 51 2.1 5 7 2.0 1 1 2.0
Fri 22	5 51 0.0 2 24 4.9 9 3 2.5	7 44 2.6 5 0 2.5 1 1 2.5
Sat 23	5 44 5.5 2 18 4.0 9 0 2.5	7 37 2.9 4 53 2.9 1 1 2.9
Sun 24	5 38 0.0 2 12 4.3 8 54 2.2	7 30 3.2 4 46 3.2 1 1 3.2
Mon 25	5 31 4.2 2 6 4.2 8 47 1.9	7 23 3.5 4 39 3.5 1 1 3.5
Tue 26	5 24 4.1 1 59 4.1 8 40 1.6	7 16 3.8 4 32 3.8 1 1 3.8
Wed 27	5 18 4.1 1 53 4.1 8 33 1.3	7 9 4.1 4 25 4.1 1 1 4.1

PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVAL.

Passengers arrived in Hong Kong by the s.s. "Aki Maru" from Japan on July 19 were:—
Mr. M. Moriama, Mr. K. Nakajima, Mr. K. Hara, Mr. T. Monden, Mr. T. Shuku, Mr. S. Tsutsui, Mr. S. Shibuya, Mr. K. Masaki, Mr. K. Ohshiro, Mr. and Mrs. M. Patkin, Mr. T. Ohara, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Gibson, Miss J. Gibson, Master J. Gibson, Miss N. O. Newton, Mr. John Cooney, Mrs. F. W. Rowland, Mr. E. Baba, Mr. M. Maruyama, Mr. Y. Ikura, Mr. K. Iida, Mr. B. Kimura, Mr. Y. Kimura, Mr. Y. Kimura, Mr. S. Hanrye, Mr. T. Yamashita, Mr. K. Sunaberi, Mr. T. Sukekawa, Mr. G. Kanoko, Mr. G. Terada, Mr. S. Shimizu, Mr. G. Ota, Mr. S. Tekikawa, Mr. A. Nakajima, Mr. I. Kobune, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Stranks, Miss N. H. Stranks, Master L. E. Stranks, Master G. Stranks, Miss C. A. Stranks, Miss Y. J. Nelson, Prof. S. Kita and Mr. Taguchi.

DEPARTURES.

Passengers departed for Australia via Ports by the s.s. "Aki Maru" on July 20 were:—
Mr. G. Ohta, Mr. K. Iida, Mr. M. Maruyama, Mr. Y. Ikura, Mr. K. Sunaberi, Mr. T. Yamashita, Mr. S. Takigawa, Mr. A. Nakajima, Mr. I. Kobune, Mr. Y. Baba, Mr. T. J. Whitaker, Mr. I. Koyasu, Mr. and Mrs. M. Patkins, Mr. K. Taguchi, Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. King, Mr. S. Tsutsui, Mr. T. Monden, Mrs. F. W. Rowland, Miss Newton, Mr. H. Tarada, Mr. S. Shimizu, Mr. O. Kimura, Mr. T. Atsumi, Mr. K. Masaki, Mr. S. Sukekawa, Mr. S. Hanrye, Mr. N. Borowsky, Mr. Cooney, Mr. Lim Hu, Sister F. Hernandez, Sister R. Norberta, Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Martin, Mr. G. Kaneko, Mr. S. Nishino, Mr. B. Kimura, Mr. S. Kita, Mr. S. Shibuya, Mr. K. Ohshiro, Mr. K. Geisler, Mr. T. Ohara, Mr. and Mrs. Stranks, Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, Mr. R. McLennan, Mr. Shiku, Mr. C. White and Mr. Nelson.

Passengers left Hong Kong by the s.s. "Empress of Canada" on July 20 were:—

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EMPERESS OF CANADA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Oct. 2	
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Oct. 11	Oct. 14	Oct. 23	
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Nov. 1	Nov. 4	Nov. 13	
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 22	Nov. 25	Dec. 4	
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Dec. 7	Dec. 10	Dec. 13	Dec. 16	Dec. 25	
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CANADA MARU Sunday, 31st July.	
TIENSIN	
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.	
SEATTLE MARU Wednesday, 27th July.	
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.	
SEIKOW MARU Thursday, 28th July.	
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.	
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKBOI.	
MENADO MARU Tuesday, 2nd August.	
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.	
HAVRE MARU Friday, 29th July.	
JAPAN PORTS	
CELEBES MARU Sunday, 24th July.	
BATAVIA MARU Thursday, 28th July.	
BORNEO MARU Friday, 29th July.	
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
KOTSU MARU Sunday, 24th July.	
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
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West River at Shihshing	+ 41' 0"	0'	17' 7"	18' 7"
North River at Tsinghuen	+ 28' 7"	0'	+ 8.4	falling
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KALYAN	9,144	2nd Aug.	M'les, C'blanca, L'don, A'werp & Hull
NYANZA	7,023	3rd Aug.	Straits & Bombay
KASHGAR	9,006	6th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
RAWALPINDI	10,619	20th Aug.	Marseilles & London
MOREA	10,953	3rd Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
DEVANHA	8,155	17th Sept.	Marseilles & London
CHYBER	9,114	1st Oct.	Marseilles & London
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ARFURA	6,000	29th July	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island,
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RAWALPINDI	10,619	22nd July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
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DEVANHA	8,155	5th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
TANDA	6,956	9th Aug.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	18th Aug.	Shanghai
NAGPORE	5,283	30th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHYBER	9,114	2nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
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S.S. "CITY OF BEDFORD"	Via Suez Canal	9th Aug.
S.S. "MENTOR"	Via Suez Canal	28th Aug.
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TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

The following ocean-going steamers arrived during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day:—

"Adrastus" (4,962) British, from Liverpool, Singapore, B. and S.—790 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 5,700 tons general (through). "Rawalpindi" (9,416) British, from Singapore, Mackinnon Mackenzie—131 passengers.

"Borneo" (1,297) British, from Hoilow, Shun Tai S.S. Co.—352 passengers, 3,400 tons rice and general cargo for Hong Kong. "Chak Sang" (1,470) British, from Shanghai, Swatow—Jardine's—3 passengers, 750 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,200 tons general (through). "Yusang" (1,122) British, from Canton, Jardine's.

"Sphinx" (6,774) French, from Yokohama, Shanghai, M.M.—129 passengers, 1,100 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 748 tons general (through). "Van Hentz" (2,720) Dutch, from Amoy, Swatow, J.C.J.L.—1,236 passengers, 1,500 tons general cargo (through). "Dampfo" (1,430) Norwegian, from Bangkok, Kosichang, K. Larsen & Co.—11 passengers, 3,050 tons rice and general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Orion" (1,101) Norwegian, from Tsingtao, Keelung, Yamashita K.K.—2,750 tons salt for Hong Kong. "Eiger" (875) Norwegian, from Dairen, K. Larsen—1,000 tons beans for Hong Kong, 800 tons beans (through). "Koyu Maru" (3,224) Japanese, from Kobe, Y.K.K. and Jardine's—4,474 tons coal for Hong Kong. "Kaiyū Maru" (1,559) Japanese, from Keelung, Mutsuishi & Co.—1,285 tons coal for Hong Kong.

"Aki Maru" (3,671) Japanese, from Yokohama, Nagasaki, N.Y.K.—278 passengers, 865 tons, general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,544 tons general (through). Departures. For Swatow:—Lusha. Maru. For Hong Kong:—Mando Maru. For Kwong Chow Wan:—Hydrangea, Sun Kong. For Manila:—Emp. of Canada, Aki Maru. For Haiphong:—Confucius. For Macassar:—Tijikini. For Amoy:—Tijikini. For Moji:—Muran Maru.

Clearance. For Singapore:—Alpore. For Canton:—Eiger, Chak Sang. For Haiphong:—Sumatra Maru. For Haiphong:—Campanas, Hanoi.

Shipping Abstract.

	In	Arrivals	Departures	Port
British	5	5	36	
Japanese	3	4	5	
French	1	0	2	
Norwegian	3	0	1	
Chinese	0	0	15	
Dutch	1	2	5	
German	0	1	0	
Panama	0	0	1	
Portuguese	0	0	4	
	13	15	75	

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ENCOUNTER BETWEEN CUSTOMS AND SMUGGLERS.

During the early morning of May 23, while the Malay States Customs launch "Lalat" was engaged on patrol duty off Singapore, an encounter took place between "Lalat" and one of the smugglers' junks, Commander William Ernest Wakefield, in charge of the launch, being killed.

Decensed's relatives in Liverpool have received the following cable from the High Commissioner for the Malay States:—"Commander of the Customs' preventive launch 'Lalat' was fired on and killed by rubber smugglers on the morning of May 23 while on patrol duty." Commander Wakefield was 27 years of age, and had his master's certificate.

He went to sea as an apprentice in the barque "Carnmoney" in 1916, and on his first voyage passed through a harrowing experience, for while homeward bound from the River Plate to U.K., the "Carnmoney" was intercepted by a German submarine in the North Atlantic Ocean, which was stated to be in charge of a German who was formerly chief officer of the "Carnmoney." The submarine sank the ship after giving her crew sufficient time to take to the boats, and for 72 hours they were adrift until rescued by a passing vessel.

Commander Wakefield was afterwards transferred to Messrs. Chadwick, Wainwright & Co., Liverpool, owned barque "Bridale" in which he completed his apprenticeship. He then passed for second mate at Liverpool, and he joined the Blue Funnel Line, serving on the Brandenburg.

He left the Blue Funnel Line while out east, and joined the Malay States Customs Service, and had held command for about 12 months, having passed for mate and master at Singapore.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 11th August, 1927 or they will not be recognized.

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All claims must be sent in to me on or before THURSDAY, the 28th instant, or they will not be recognized.

DAMAGED PACKAGES will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on MONDAY, the 25th instant.

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J. LIMAGE,
Agent.
Hong Kong, 19th July, 1927.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 3rd prox. or they will not be recognized.

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Aug. 16	San Francisco	Olympic	Sept. 21	C'bg-S'hmpta Sept. 23
Aug. 24	Seattle	Boregaria	Sept. 21	C'bg-S'hmpta Sept. 27
Aug. 30	San Francisco	Homeric	Oct. 1	C'bg-S'hmpta Oct. 7
Sept. 7	Seattle	Aquitania	Oct. 5	C'bg-S'hmpta Oct. 11
Sept. 13	San Francisco	Mauretania	Oct. 15	C'bg-S'hmpta Oct. 21
Sept. 21	Seattle	Leviathan	Oct. 22	C'bg-S'hmpta Oct. 28
Sept. 27	San Francisco	Olympic	Oct. 29	C'bg-S'hmpta Nov. 4
Oct. 5	Seattle	Boregaria	Nov. 2	C'bg-S'hmpta Nov. 8
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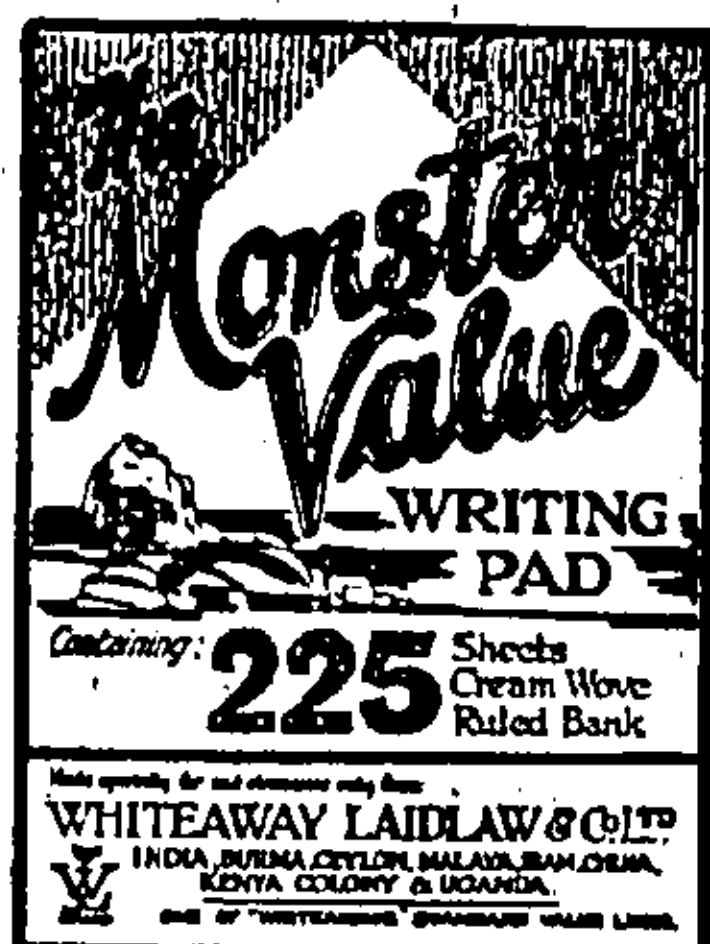
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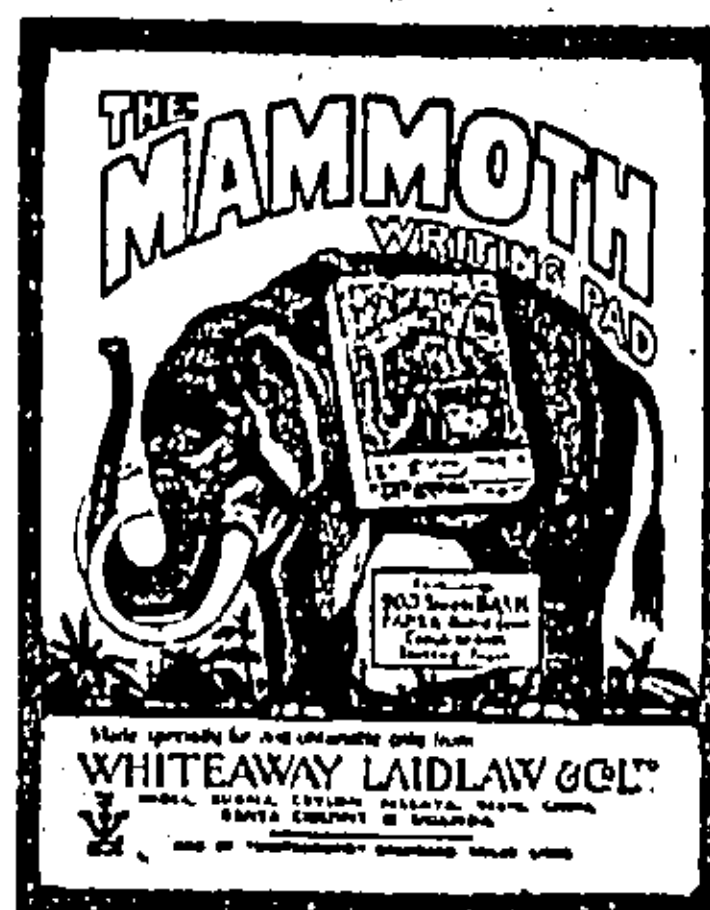
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Hong Kong, Thursday, July 21, 1927.

SIR H. POLLOCK'S ADVICE.

Sir Henry Pollock, the senior
unofficial member of the Legis-
lative Council, has been inter-
viewed by Reuter in London, and
has spoken his mind in his usual
characteristic manner on the
taxation demands of the Nanking
Government. In his opinion
these demands are a breach of
the Treaties and as such should
be resisted by the British Gov-
ernment. Indeed, he asserts that
it is imperative that they should
be resisted. There will be local
agreement with him when he
states that these recent demands
are the natural sequel of the
prolonged and unresisted anti-
Treaty boycott raised by Canton
against Hong Kong—a boycott
which enriched its promoters yet,
by lying propaganda, was re-
presented all over the world as
an unselfish and patriotic move-
ment. He further declared that,
if Nanking's demands are not
resisted, other local Chinese au-
thorities will make similar dis-
astrous exactions on foreign
trade, devoting the funds thus
obtained to a more intensive civil
warfare. In point of fact this
example has already been follow-
ed by the Chihli authorities tak-
ing over control of the Salt
Gabelle amounting to about \$12-
000,000 annually. And the next
step will doubtless be for Nan-
king and other local authorities
to take over the Imperial Mari-
time Customs.

It is not sufficient for the
Nanking Government or any
other Government in China to re-
gard Treaties with the foreign
Powers as non-existent simply be-
cause in their opinion they are
unsuited to modern conditions.

There is a time and a place for
everything and a Treaty cannot
be jettisoned by one of the con-
tracting parties, or a self-styled
representative of that party, at
its own sweet will. The Powers,
including Great Britain, have re-
peatedly expressed their inten-
tion to meet the aspirations of
the Chinese with regard to the
existing Treaties when the proper
opportunity arises. Such an
opportunity can only await the
creation of a strong Central Gov-
ernment imbued with a serious
sense of its responsibility to the
Powers and able to ensure re-
spect for any revised Treaties
that may be made. Until then,
of course, the existing Treaties,
"unequal" though they may be
regarded by the Chinese, must
overrule all other considerations.
It lies with the Chinese them-
selves and not with Great Britain
or any other Power to create a
condition of affairs compatible
with a revision of the Treaties.
At present, as Lord Balfour re-
cently reiterated, there is no
single Government in China that
can be recognised as the one and
only official source with which
the Powers can deal.

It is pleasing to note that Sir
Henry Pollock, in his interview
with Reuter, embraced the oppor-
tunity to repudiate the appar-
ently prevalent idea that British
and Chinese interests in the Far East
are mutually opposed. It is well
known whence this idea emanated
in the first place, and it is also
known that the extremists in the
Labour Party at Home are never
tired of exploiting that idea.
That is mischievous propaganda
against British interests in China
that must be combated most
strenuously inch by inch both at
Home and abroad. As Sir
Frederick Whyte pointed out at
the Institute of Pacific Relations
in Honolulu yesterday, Great Bri-
tain wants to help China and co-
operate on the tariff question.
That willingness has been demon-
strated time and again not only
in regard to tariff autonomy but
in regard to every problem that
has been exercising the leaders
of the various Chinese Govern-
ments in Peking, Nanking, and
Hankow. The lead in goodwill
and conciliation has been taken
long ago by Great Britain, but
unfortunately with a very sparse
response on the part of the Chi-
nese themselves. Still, the fact
remains that Great Britain is at
any time perfectly willing to co-
operate with the Chinese
to attain their aspirations,
although it must always be
borne in mind that the fight

for such cannot possibly mean
the total disregard of exist-
ing Treaties and the flaunting of
all the rights which these
Treaties confer on British sub-
jects in China.

A Grave Step.

The decision of the French
Olympic Committee that that
country is not to participate in
the forthcoming Olympiad at
Amsterdam is indeed a startling
one. The cable announcing the
fact merely states that this grave
step was taken upon the Senate
adjoining the question of the
provision of the necessary funds.
A fairly large sum of money is,
of course, essential to provide for
the training, upkeep and equip-
ment of a force of athletes worthy
of representing a country in the
greatest international sporting
competition of all time. But it
does not seem that the French
Government has definitely said it
will not provide that sum and, on
the face of things, seeing what is
involved in the way of national
prestige, if nothing else, the de-
cision of the Committee appears
to be a hasty one. This very
point has caused dissension on
more than one occasion at Home,
but always has the money been
found. These Games, despite
criticism in recent years regard-
ing irregularities and despite
such international jealousies as
are naturally aroused, pre, we
venture to assert, worth the
money spent on them. They
take us a long way back and,
with Gilbert K. Chesterton, we
believe we have to go backward
at times before we can go for-
ward! They take us back to
nearly two thousand years be-
fore the birth of Christ and were
instituted by the Grecians
in honour of Jupiter, being held
every fifth year at Olympia in
the Peloponnese. As ancient
festivals they continued from
1543 B.C. to A.D. 394. Surely
the memory of those gigantic strug-
gles on that vast plain in Elis
will not be allowed to fade by
reason of the absence from this
year's Olympiad of such a nation
as France, renowned for its love
of doing the right thing, its ven-
eration of all that is as it should
be between country and country,
its regard for the past, despite
its comparatively newly-found
Republicanism? We trust a way
may be found out of this regret-
table deadlock, and that the
glorious tricolour may bedeck
many athletic heroes when these
Games come to be played at
Amsterdam soon.

CORRESPONDENCE.

PEAK ADDRESS BOARDS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")
Sir,—[With reference to my
letter to the Press dated May 27,
may I once again through the
courtesy of your columns draw
the attention of all Peak residents
to the Address Boards at the
Barker Road and Top Tram Sta-
tions, which have been entirely
reorganised under the auspices
of the Police and the Peak
Residents' Association.
The lists which have now been
compiled are the result of the
house to house visit referred to
in my previous letter, and have,
I think, now been printed in such
a form as to be of some practical
value not only to strangers visit-
ing the Peak but also to Peak
residents.
The lists at present displayed
on the Address Boards are mere—

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Result of Eleventh New
Puzzle.

SIX TO SHARE PRIZE.

The "China Mail" has pleasure in
announcing the result of the
eleventh Cross-Word Puzzle of the
new series. This has been won by
six competitors who had two errors
each, as follows:—

Mr. L. Morris,
Pokfulam.
Mr. A. Becker,
12, Yu Kwong Terrace,
Happy Valley.
Mr. C. M. da Silva,
442, Nathan Road,
Kowloon.
Mr. Fred E. Silva,
Green Island Cement Co.
Mr. J. F. Souza,
Shewan Tomes & Co.
Mr. M. A. Figueiredo,
No. 1, Peace Avenue,
Kowloon.

In accordance with the rules
a cheque will be sent to the
winners four days hence under re-
gistered cover, together with the
congratulations of the "China
Mail."

The correct solutions are as
follows:—

Across.
1. CYST; 4. GABEL; 8. SLUM;
12. LEG; 13. RUN; 14. NOD; 16.
OIA; 17. AX; 18. LOAN; 19.
ZAR; 21. EL; 22. OUTRE; 23.
ABRE; 25. ENTAIL; 26. SNEAPS;
28. PO; 29. SI; 30. IG; 31. IT; 33.
EN; 34. H.D.; 35. S.E.; 36. P.R.;
37. RE; 40. T.T.; 42. P.P.; 45. B.C.;
46. T.L.; 47. A.U.; 48. A.R.; 49.
I.E.; 50. MANTIS; 53. RETURN;
57. REALS; 58. APEAK; 60. EH;
62. GNOO; 63. SALT; 64. FA; 65.
LOT; 67. ORC; 68. OIL; 69. AIR;
70. LEAK; 71. SKALD; 72. SYRT.

Down.
1. CLAM; 2. YEX; 3. S.G.; 4.
GUARISH; 5. ANNELID; 6.
ENTASIS; 7. LOZENGE; 9. LO;
10. URE; 11. MALT; 13. ROTA;
15. DARE; 18. LUTRA; 20. RIANT;
22. ON; 24. E.P.; 25. EON; 27.
SIP; 28. PEERT; 32. TRUCE; 33.
ELM; 39. OINEG (GENIO); 40.
TAILORS; 41. TUSOCK; 42.
PARASOL; 43. PREPAID; 44.
SQUAT; 45. BIN; 51. A.R.; 52.
T.A.N.O.; 54. TELL; 55. K.; 56.
LELL; 59. DART; 61. HOE; 64.
FIR; 66. T.A.; 69. AY.

ENTERIC AMONGST BRITISH.

Two cases of enteric fever, both
British were reported in the Colony
yesterday.

ly "Proofs," and I shall be grate-
ful if all residents will satisfy
themselves that their names and
addresses are properly described
thereon or advise me of any cor-
rections or alterations that are
required to be made before July
31. Clean copies, with the neces-
sary alterations, will then be pre-
pared and placed on the Address
Boards, and it is proposed to re-
vise these lists in future every
six months.
Alterations to the lists in force
can be made at any time in writ-
ing if residents will only notify
the Inspector in Charge of the
Gough Hill Police Station or the
Hon. Secretary of the P.R.A. of
any additions or alterations, that
may require to be made, and I
appeal for the co-operation and
help of all Peak residents in keep-
ing these lists up to date.
In conclusion I wish to thank
Inspector Shannon of Gough Hill
Police Station for the great assist-
ance he has rendered in supplying
all the necessary data for compil-
ing these lists.

Yours, etc.,
E. B. C. HORNELL.
Hon. Secretary,
Peak Residents' Association.
Hong Kong, July 21.



Prince Michael, who will succeed to the Roumanian Throne. He
is a son of Prince Carol, who abdicated in his favour.

P'RAPS—P'RAPS NOT!

"I'm following the Chinese situa-
tion very carefully," said the charm-
ing young creature. "It's so stimu-
lating. I know all about Mr. Chen,
and General Sun, and that Mr.
Brilliant Chang. But who is this
new man Yangtse-King, described
as running down through a fertile
valley to the sea?"

The Magistrate—"Did anything
in his demeanour strike you when
you arrested him?"
The Coroner—"Yes, your Wor-
ship. 'E had a sort of pinched
look."

Anxious Waiter—"What's the mat-
ter, Sir? Too much pepper in the
stew?"
Colonel Tabasco (retired Indian
Army)—"No, confound you. Too
much stew in the pepper."

A Scots doctor and his wife,
travelling on a West Coast steamer,
ran into bad weather, and hung
over the side, very unhappy.
There came a lurch, and the doc-
tor prepared to give up hope. His
wife, though she could not move,
and could scarcely speak, managed
to pass a timely word of caution.
"Jock," she whispered, "put your
teeth in your pocket."

Muriel had been to the Zoo for
the first time, and was giving her
grandmother a long account of
what she had seen.
"And which animal did you like
best, dear?" asked her grand-
mother, when Muriel had finished.
"Oh, the elephant," was the re-
ply. "It was wonderful to see him
pick up buns with his vacuum
cleaner!"

"You're looking fine," announced
the doctor to his patient. "Have
you followed my dieting instruc-
tions and eaten only what a three-
year-old child would?"
"Yes, doctor," was the sad reply.
"For dinner I had a handful of
mud, one of coal dust, a button hook
and a box of safety matches."

Father—"There is nothing worse,
my dear boy, than to be old and
bent."
Cynical Son—"I think there is,
father."
Father—"What is it, then?"
Son—"Why, to be young and
broke."

"There goes the light-weight
champion of our village."
"Pugilist, eh?"
"No, the village butcher."

She came into the Police Station
with a photograph in her hand.
"My husband has disappeared," she
said. "This is his photo. I want
him found at once." And she hand-
ed Exhibit A to the inspector.
The inspector looked up from the
photograph.
"Why?" he asked.

"Henry dear, what is the mean-
ing of 'halldom'?"
"I don't know why women won't
use their reasoning powers. If you
will only look at the context you'll
be able to find out for yourself.
How is it used, anyway?"
"It says here, 'By my halldom,
'tis past the hour of twelve!'"
"Well, there you are. Women
will not use their reasoning power.
'Halldom' is obviously an old Eng-
lish word for 'watch.'"

A tale in an American magazine
by Struthers Burt has the following
passage:—
"In my mind it had always been
classed with those lovely, half-
mythical cities that, if you were
lucky, one day you would see, such
as—"

And among half a dozen names
the author mentions Singapore!
Was Hong Kong omitted, we won-
der?

Rastus was asked what regiment
he would join if another war oc-
curred, and it was suggested that
he would probably like the cavalry.
"No," said Rastus, "when they
sound the 'retreat' I don't want to
be hampered by no horse."

Dull returned explorer (relating
adventures tediously): "And when,
after fighting our way through
miles of jungle, we found to our
dismay that it had swollen to twice
its size—what were we to do?"
Bored young damsel (catching
only the last few words): "Did you
try poulticing it?"

At a club two elderly members
were discussing, sotto voce, the
table manners of a new and not
particularly gentlemanly member.

"Well, what do you think of
him?" asked one.

"Very remarkable," replied the
other, thoughtfully. "I've heard
coup gurgled and siphoned, but on
my soul that's the first time I've
ever heard it roddled."

They were off to the races, and
meeting at the station, one was
surprised to see the other carrying
a camera.

"What's that for—to photograph
the horses?"

"No, the bookie," was the reply.

Two Scottish elders were dis-
cussing their new minister.

"It's an awful peety," said one of them,
"it's an awful peety the new minis-
ter speaks through his nose."

"Yes," replied the other, "it's an
awful peety, and it's no like as he
was pinched for room through his
mouth."

BOLT FROM BLUE.**BRITISH DELEGATES' RECALL FROM GENEVA.****NO QUESTION OF BREAKDOWN**

London, July 20. A special meeting of the Cabinet was held to-night in connection with the recall of Mr. W. C. Bridgeman and Lord Cecil from Geneva.

Well-informed circles in London declare emphatically that there is no question of a breakdown in Geneva. It is pointed out that the conversations got further than before and to justify a continuance of the negotiations a sort of compromise was reached by mutual concessions, and this is now being considered by the American Government.

Hence the period of a marking time in Geneva is opportune for Mr. Baldwin to confer with Mr. Bridgeman personally.

Decisive Turn Expected. Geneva, July 20. The news of the recall of Mr. Bridgeman and Lord Cecil came like a bolt from the blue. It is expected that the situation will take a decisive turn when they return.—Reuter.

Baseball As Diversion.

Geneva, July 20. Baseball was brought into the programme of the Naval Conference pending the return of the British delegates, and the Japanese camp are jubilant over a striking victory in which they scored 26 runs against eight in seven innings and a half, to which the regulation nine was reduced for the occasion.

The American team was composed of Pressmen and a few members of the American delegation.

The Japanese were largely Pressmen, who displayed extraordinary agility and knowledge of the game, which was watched by a good sprinkling of American tourists.—Reuter.

NEVER SURRENDERS**DESPERATE STAND BY U.S. MARINES.****THRILLING ACCOUNT.**

London, July 20. A thrilling account of the desperate stand of the United States Marines at Ocatl is contained in a New York message describing it as "the fiercest event in the history of the United States Marine Corps and the warlike records of the Central American Republic."

There were only 39 Marines, assisted by 50 local constabulary. They fought from 1 a.m. till 5 p.m. against 500 besieging Liberals.

General Sandino at one time summoned the defenders to surrender, pointing out that they were cut off and without water.

Captain Hatfield, commanding the Marines, replied: "With or without water the American Marine never surrenders. We remain here until we die or are captured."

Four or Five Like Lions.

According to the Mayor of Ocatl, the Marines fought like lions. Their sharpshooters throughout did deadly work picking off besiegers, including General Ruffo Marino, who was the right hand man of Sandino.

At three in the afternoon two aeroplanes appeared and fired on the Liberals. They flew off and returned with three more machines, which bombed the besiegers "as if hell had been let loose."

At five o'clock all was over.

"Wholesale Murder." Washington, July 19. Dr. Vaca, representative of the Nicaraguan Liberals in the United States, speaking at the Congress of the Pan-American Federation of Labour, denounced the killing of 600 Liberals of Nicaragua as "wholesale murder."

A motion was introduced calling on President Coolidge to withdraw the United States Marines from Nicaragua.—Reuter's American Service.

MEAT KING ILL.**RELATIVES SAIL FROM NEW YORK.**

New York, July 19. Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell have sailed by the s.s. "Berengaria."—Reuter's American Service.

[A cable published yesterday stated:—Mr. Ogden Armour, the American "meat king," who has been holidaying in London for the past fortnight, is seriously ill with a nervous breakdown. Mr. Armour's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell, were spending the summer in South California when they were summoned by Mrs. Armour by telephone and cable to come immediately. They left Chicago last night on the second stage of their journey to London, hoping to catch the "Berengaria" sailing from New York at midnight.]

BRITAIN AND EGYPT.**CHAMBERLAIN AND VISITING PREMIER.****POSITION DISCUSSED.**

Rugby, July 20. Sir Austen Chamberlain, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, was asked in Parliament whether any negotiations were proceeding with the Egyptian Government regarding the four reserved points.

He replied that he had naturally taken advantage of the presence in this country of Sarwat Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, to discuss British-Egyptian relations with him, but it was not Sarwat Pasha's intention or his own to conclude any new agreement during this visit.—British Wireless Service.

A SHEIK'S FREEDOM.**NEGOTIATIONS STILL IN PROGRESS.****BRITISH PRESSURE EXERTED.**

Rugby, July 20. Asked whether the British Government had taken any steps to return to the Sheik of Mohammarah his personal freedom and territory, Sir Austen Chamberlain said: "The decision does not lie with His Majesty's Government who, however, have repeatedly urged the Persian Government to put into practice their frequent and categorical assurances that the Sheik's affairs would be settled on a just and equitable basis. Negotiations between the Sheik and the Persian Government are reported to be still in progress, and His Majesty's Government earnestly trust that a solution of this long outstanding question will be found without further delay."—British Wireless Service.

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TRADE CONVENTION.**DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE TO BE HELD.****BRITAIN TO THE FORE.**

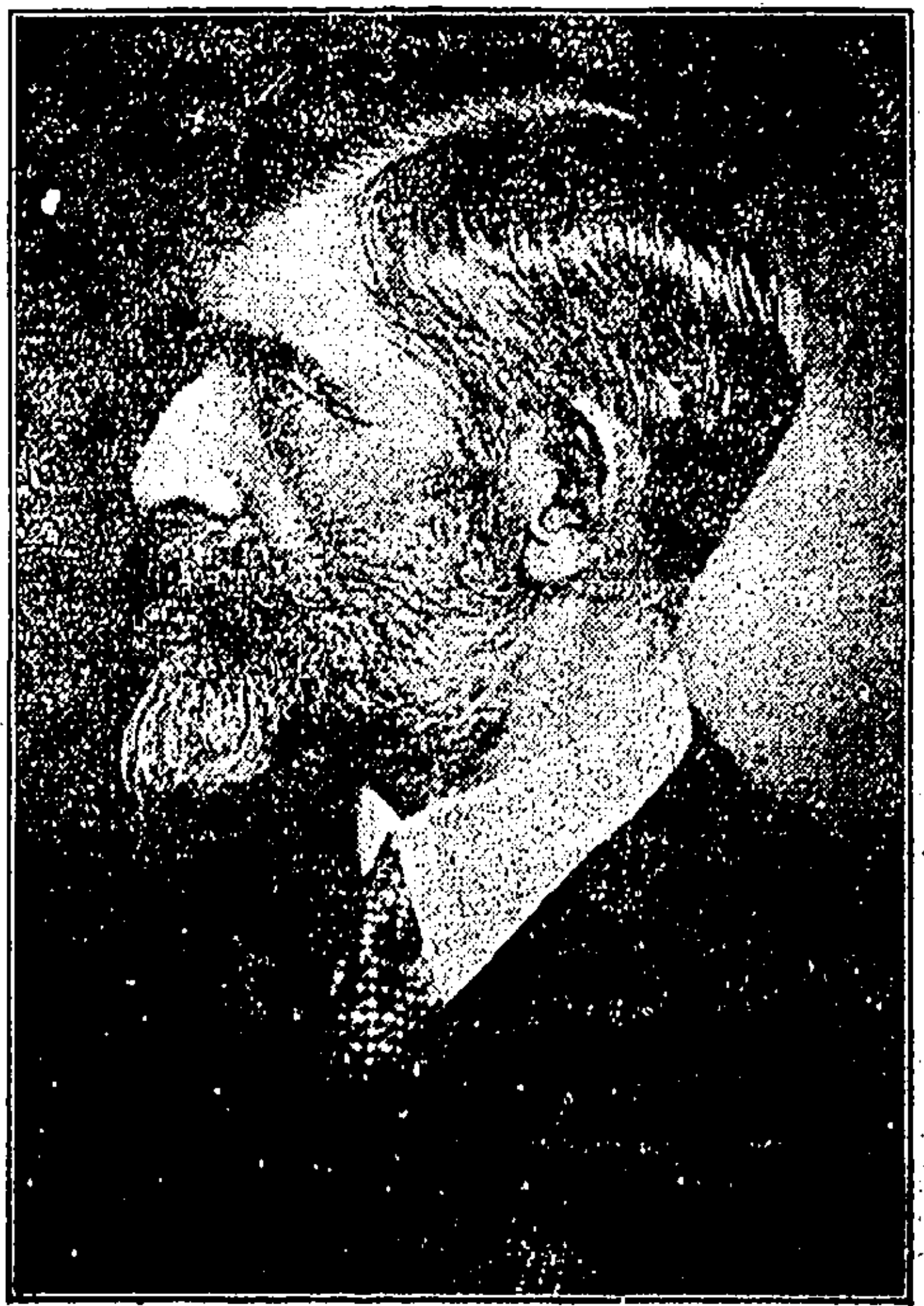
London, July 20. A diplomatic conference to seek a convention for the prohibition of import restrictions was fore-shadowed by Sir Philip Cunliffe, President of the Board of Trade, in the House of Commons during the debate on the Board of Trade Vote.

Mr. W. Runciman called attention to the resolutions of the Geneva Economic Conference in favour of a reduction of tariffs, and enquired what was the British policy in this respect.

Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister said that he welcomed wholeheartedly further effort to facilitate trade and transport. We had made seventeen Commercial Treaties since the war embodying the most favoured nation clauses and in the projected diplomatic conference we would be in the forefront.—Reuter.

A Chinese yesterday walked into a jeweller's shop at No. 7 Aberdeen Street and picking up a pair of good bangles from the work table ran out with it. He succeeded in making good his escape.

While a Chinese salesman was walking near the Sun Company at 12.30 last night he was accosted by four men, one of whom was armed with a revolver. They searched his person and took \$78 in notes. All four men escaped in the direction of Wing Lok Street.



Late King Ferdinand of Roumania.

LOOKING ON.**CONSTABLES IN GAMBLING DEN.****EACH FINED \$50.**

When the police made a gambling raid in a godown in Pitt Street on Tuesday, they found two Shantung constables watching the proceedings on the premises.

The sequel was heard in Mr. W. Schofield's Court at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when Mr. C. G. Perdue, A.S.P., charged the constables with misconduct as police officers.

Both accused pleaded "guilty."

First accused's excuse was that he had received information that some bad characters were meeting in the godown, and he went there to investigate. He had only just arrived on the premises when the police raiders appeared.

Second accused said that he went to the godown in the company of No. 1 who was afraid to go there alone.

No Right There.

Mr. Schofield asked for the accused's records.

Mr. Perdue said that both had good records. No. 1 joined the force in August 1924, and the other three months later. On the day of the raid both accused were on duty, their beat being in the vicinity of the godown. The accused were in the godown merely as spectators and did not render any assistance to the detectives who raided the place. They had no right whatever to be on the premises.

The accused were fined \$50 each.

FORGED NOTES.

CHINESE SENTENCED FOR UTTERING.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese was charged with passing and uttering two five piastre Annamite notes of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine.

The cashier of the bank said that the notes were very bad forgeries as the numbers were badly printed and the inking uneven. Anyone who could read European numerals, the witness thought, would immediately see that the notes were forged.

Police evidence was to the effect that accused went to the Tak Cheung shop in Queen's Road Central and bought some cloth worth \$2. He tendered one of the forged notes, and asked the manager to give him \$3 as change, promising to return on the following day and redeem the note. Accused was accommodated. He failed to return, so the manager went to a money changer's to have the note changed, and it was then discovered to be a forgery.

Two days later the accused went to a branch shop of Tak Cheung's and there attempted to pass the second note. A fook who was in the main office when the accused called the first time happened to be in the branch office, and recognising the accused he promptly had him arrested.

The accused's defence was that he was not aware that the notes were forged. They were given to him by a friend who was a seaman, as a loan. Asked the name of the ship on which the seaman was supposed to be employed, the accused was unable to supply it.

Mr. Lindsell passed sentence of two months' hard labour on each count, the sentences to run consecutively.

LOCAL SOCCER.

The R.A.M.C. are meeting the Chinese A.A. eleven at Sookumpoo on Saturday next at 5.30 p.m.

FINED BY P.W.D.**STRANGE ACTION AGAINST BANKER.****EXPLANATION CALLED FOR.**

Mr. Li Tse-fong, manager of the Bank of East Asia was yesterday summoned by the P.W.D. for laying a water pipe through Crown land without permission.

The case was heard by Mr. R. E. Lindsell, and Mr. A. E. Hall appeared for the defence.

Mr. Hall said that Mr. Li, who lived on Mount Davis, had originally intended to use sea water for his flush system, but abandoned that idea when he discovered that salt water was detrimental to the pipes. Consequently he looked about for fresh water and discovered a nullah near the house from which water could be drawn for the purpose. A member of the P.W.D. staff showed Mr. Li exactly how the pipes should be laid, and the necessary plans were accordingly drawn up by Mr. W. Hall of Abdulrahman & Co., architects.

The plans were submitted to the P.W.D. last December with an application for a permit. The work of laying the piping was begun but in April Mr. Li received a letter from the P.W.D. stating that the work might be carried on if defendant paid a fine of \$50. Mr. Li then questioned the P.W.D.'s right to inflict a fine.

No Permission. Mr. W. E. Hollands of the P.W.D. said that no official permission was given to Mr. Li, and the fine was imposed because the work was carried out without a permit.

Mr. Hall remarked that it was grossly unfair for the P.W.D. to act as magistrates in this case. If the P.W.D. objected to the laying of the pipes they should have informed Mr. Li earlier than in April, and plans and application had been sent in.

Mr. Lindsell gave an adjournment until noon on Monday next, and told Mr. Hollands that he wanted information from the P.W.D. as to why nothing was done about the plans for four months.

INMATE INVOLVED.

STORY OF ROBBERY AT SHAMSHUPO.

A robbery which was alleged to have been instigated by an inmate of the house was reported to the police by a Chinese woman who is the principal tenant of the first floor of No. 135, Tainam Street, Shamshupo.

According to the informant, a knock came on the staircase door at 2.30 yesterday afternoon, and the voice of one of the inmates named Leung Tai asked to be admitted.

When the door was opened, Leung Tai entered with two other men. They proceeded to the verandah. After a while one of the men asked for some tea. The complainant went to the front cubicle to pour it out, and there she was seized by a man with a dagger. She was driven into the rear cubicle where she was bound and gagged together with two others inmates of the house, a man and a woman. The robbers then ransacked the flat and stole money and jewellery worth \$159. They did not touch any clothing. Leung Tai left the house with the other two men.

NATIVE ORDERS.

PROTECTION FOR FOREIGN BANKS.

Shanghai, July 16. It is understood that the foreign banks have unanimously agreed that on and after August 1 cargo will not be released against the tender of the usual native orders. With an embargo on the movement of silver, and the probable unrestricted issue of unconvertible notes, native orders will only be redeemable by notes. Such notes may at any time stand at a heavy discount.

The action of the foreign banks, therefore, appears justifiable and it is surprising that similar protective action was not taken as long ago as 1925 when native banks were unable to redeem their orders at date, compelling the foreign banks to hold them, without interest, until the financial chaos of the time was cleared up.

This decision may discourage the financiers of the Nationalist Government from issuing irredeemable notes. Notes without adequate reserves for redemption must depreciate and any unlimited issue would fall particularly hard on the Chinese community who, no doubt, would be compelled to use them.

A thief entered the first floor of No. 18 Kwong Wah Road last night and stole money, clothing and jewellery worth \$116. The robbery was not discovered until this morning.

Mr. N. Shwomol of No. 21A, D'Agular Street reports that early this morning a thief entered the premises by breaking a window at the back, and stole jewellery worth \$85.

BRIBERY ALLEGED.**HAWKER'S EXCUSE WHEN ARRESTED.****INQUIRY ASKED FOR.**

When a street hawker was yesterday charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy with obstruction, he accused the Indian Sergeant who had arrested him of receiving bribes from other hawkers. The Sergeant was alleged to have received a weekly payment of 30 cents from the hawkers, in return for which they were allowed to deposit their wares on the footpaths in Shamshupo.

Defendant said that he was arrested because his business was too small to permit him to pay a cumshaw to the Sergeant.

Mr. Schofield discharged the defendant, and instructed Sergeant Hargreaves to make enquiries about the alleged bribes.

Shadows Before.**COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."**

Entertainments. Theatre: July 21—Queen's Theatre: "Shoulder Arms."

July 21—World Theatre: "Tangles of Flame."

July 21—Star Theatre, Kowloon: "The Wrong Mr. Wright."

July 21—Tea Dance, Cafe Restaurant, Parisien, 4.30 p.m.

July 21—Isako's Circus, New Reclamation Ground, Wanchai, 9.15 p.m.

July 21—Informal Dance at the "Cheer 'O," 7 p.m.; Sing song at the "Better 'Ole," 7 p.m.

July 22—Mrs. A. T. Hamilton's concert at the "Cheer 'O."

July 22—Grand Concert, City Hall, with band of 1st Cameronsians.

July 23—Launch Picnic, for the services; parties to leave Queen's Pier, and Police Pier at 2.15 and 2.30 p.m. respectively.

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July 21—Sixteen cases marine motors, at the Sun Co., Ltd's Godown, Praya, Kennedy Town, noon.

July 21—Household furniture, 205 Wanchai Road, 2.45 p.m.

August 4—Household furniture, pictures, curios, etc., of the late Mrs. M. J. D. Stephens, No. 5, Peak Road, 11 a.m.

Meetings.

July 21—Meeting of Scottish Co. of the H.K.D.C. at Corps Headquarters, 5.30 p.m.

July 22—Third yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd., St. George's Bldg., noon.

July 29—Annual meeting of members of the Peak Club, at the Club, 6 p.m.

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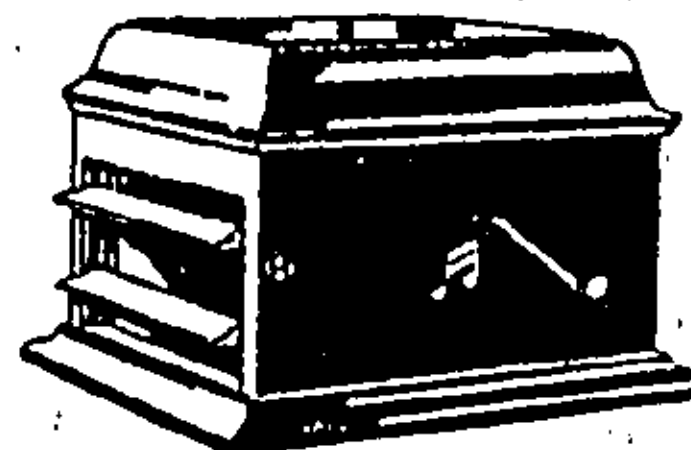
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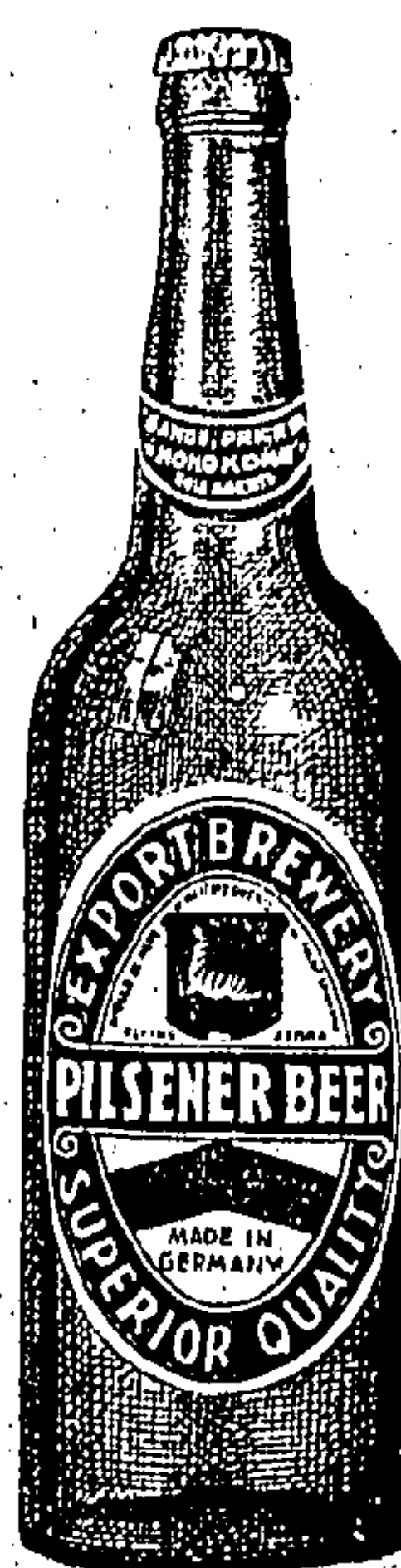
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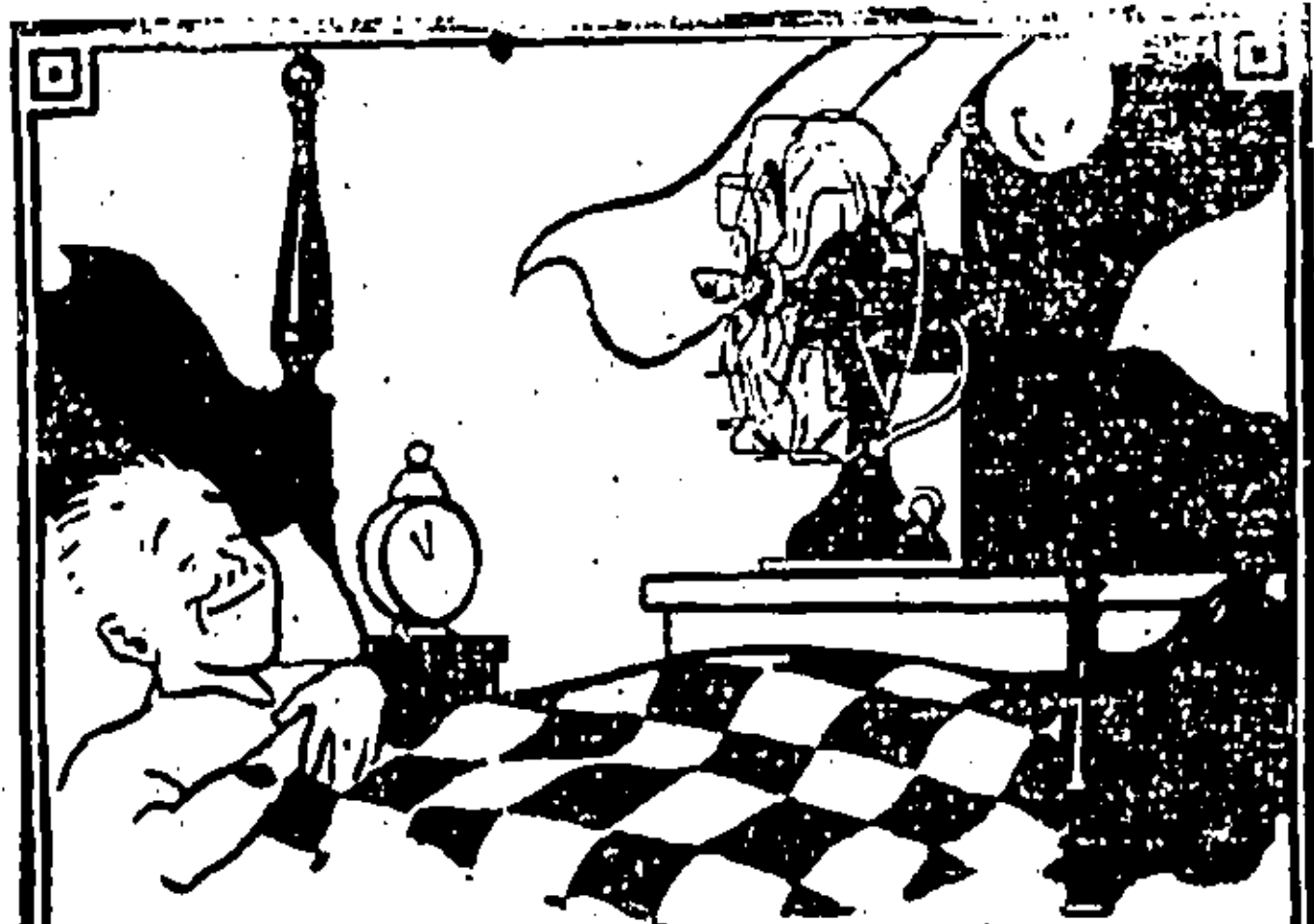
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The American Consulate-General in Shanghai, is interested in securing information regarding the whereabouts of Mr. Herman Neehleib who is reported to have been in the Public Works Department of the Philippine Government as civil engineer prior to February 1925. Information in this regard will be appreciated.

At a meeting of the Chinese Gold and Banking Exchange Association yesterday, it was decided to uphold their recent demand that the compradors' office of the foreign banks in Hong Kong should no longer require them to chop foreign currency and the bills they negotiate with the foreign banks.

Nos. 33, 35, 37 and 39 Sing Woo Road were sold at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's sales rooms yesterday. Nos. 35 and 39 in one lot and the others separately. No. 33 was sold to Mr. Ho U-ming for \$9,300. Nos. 35 and 39 to the same purchaser for \$17,500 and No. 37 to Mrs. Chun Hing, of 25 Kennedy Road, for \$9,000.

Sitting as Coroner at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. E. Lindsell held an inquest on a Chinese prisoner. The deceased was sentenced to six weeks' jail for larceny on June 13 and was transferred to the Laichikok prison four days later. He took ill on July 19 and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, where he died. His worship adjourned the inquest until August 2.

A petition has been sent to Nanking by a leading Chinese merchant, Mr. Wang Ching-fang, recommending that steps should be taken to consecrate the memory of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen by prefixing the word "Saint" to his name in the same way as foreigners honour their Biblical figures, by regarding his writings as the Chinese Bible and teaching them throughout China, by regarding his birthday as the Chinese Christmas, and by enforcing these three suggestions with a national celebration.

There was a fire scare at the Kowloon godowns (Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company) shortly after midnight yesterday when, in response to the alarm, three appliances of the Fire Brigade hurried to the spot. It was found that the out-



A rare picture of Emanuel Nobel, donor of the Nobel Peace prizes, whose fame is known throughout the world, photographed while leaving the Excelsior Hotel in Naples, Italy, where he spent a brief vacation.

break, which had started in a pile of rubbish in an alleyway at the rear of Godown No. 22, had already been extinguished by watchmen. After examining the rubbish and assuring that no sparks of fire remained, the Brigade left.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. W. A. Main, of the Associated Mission Treasurers, is in Foochow for a short holiday on Kuliang.

Peking papers announce the engagement of Miss Helen Lambert and Mr. Harold E. Shadick, both of Yenching University.

Mr. W. T. Thorne, manager for several years of the Shanghai branch of Messrs. Allen & Hambury's, has left for home on retirement.

Mr. W. R. Mowll, who until recently was employed at the Shanghai branch of Reuters's Commercial Service, has been transferred to Singapore and has assumed the management of the local office.

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place in Singapore at the end of August, between Sholto Douglas Leslie, of Batavia, and Nancy, third daughter of John R. Blacker, M.I.C.E., of Buenos Aires.

Passengers departing yesterday by s.s. "Empress of Canada" for Manila, included Mrs. J. P. Braga, Mrs. L. Cooper, Bishop D. T. Huntington, and Miss A. M. Upsdell.

It is understood that Mrs. Duncan, the wife of Major-General John Duncan, C.M.G., D.S.O., Commander of the British Forces in China, will shortly arrive in Shanghai.

Viscountess Cowdray has been elected High Steward of Colchester in succession to the late Viscount Cowdray, who was elected in 1910. The Viscountess is the first woman to be appointed to the position in England.

Mr. L. A. Mantani, former Manager of the Sind Silk Store, is now with the Grand Silk Store and will be pleased to see his old patrons at Pohoosull's, 36, Queen's Road Central.

The "London Gazette" states that the King, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of York, the Duke of Connaught, Prince Arthur of Connaught, the King of Norway, and the King of the Belgians are among those promoted to be Bailiffs Grand Cross of the Order of Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem; and the Queen, Princess Mary, the Duchess of York, Princess Louise, Princess Beatrice, Princess Alice, and Princess Arthur of Connaught, and the Marchioness of Lansdowne among those promoted to be Dames Grand Cross of the Order.

Col. G. G. Stroebe, of the Yangtze River Conservancy Board, has gone to Peking on business.

Captain A. C. Baker, M.C., M.C.S. is now officiating as Assistant General Adviser, Muar, on his return from home leave.



Miss Helen Wills, American tennis star, snapped while walking in Green Park, London.

We are happy (says the "Malay Mail") to be in a position to contradict the rumour current in Singapore that Mr. C. Hannigan, Commissioner of Police, F.M.S., will probably be shortly retiring on pension. Mr. Hannigan, who was born in December, 1877, is still a good many years short of fifty and five. He is young for his age and enjoys excellent health and his retirement before he reaches the age limit would be a distinct loss to the country.

A long drawn out case in which Ah Con, a youthful-looking Chinese, was charged with being a prohibited immigrant and failure to pass the dictation test prescribed by the Act was concluded at Perth, W. A. last month, when the accused was sentenced to four months' imprisonment, pending deportation proceedings being taken. The defence stated that the accused arrived in Fremantle from China in 1899, and was thus exempt from the provisions of the Immigration Act (1901). The Magistrate was satisfied that Ah Con arrived about 1908. A stay of proceedings for 28 days was granted.

The current number of the "Silver Wolf" contains interesting records of activities of local Scouts, Girl Guides, the recently formed troop of Rangers and Brownies. The Commissioner, the Rev. G. T. Waldergrave, writes that the benefit of having a large and representative Council has already been felt and that the great advance made augurs well for the future. It is hoped later, when financial considerations permit, to found a Scout Officers' Training centre. The Association would like to send at least a patrol of Scouts from Hong Kong to represent the Colony at the Imperial and World Jamborees in 1929, but again finance is the crucial point. Reference is also made in the "Silver Wolf" to the hard work done on behalf of the Association by the President Dr. R. H. Kotewall, and by Sir Henry Pollock.

It has been decided that the next production of the Philharmonic Society will be "Merrie England." Edward German's light opera which has retained through the years the freshness of its original appeal when it was first produced at the Savoy in 1902. The cast has not yet been completed and Mr. W. Fleming (of the Naval Yard) or Mr. H. J. Best (the Hon. Secretary of the Society) will be pleased to hear from any who are willing to take part. The opera will be produced by Mr. W. Price and the musical director is Mr. W. R. Fleming. Rehearsals are planned for September and the public performances for December. Another announcement regarding local amateur entertainment which is of interest, is that the A.D.C. intends to produce Sapper's "Bulldog Drummond" in November.

Sir Francis Aglen was one of the principal guests at the Central Asian Society's annual dinner at the Hotel Cecil on July 6.

The Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Drury, en route to Europe, send greetings from Saigon to all their friends. They are on the M.M.S. "Angers."

Captain Clayton Mitchell, R.N. (retired), who saw service in the Crimean War, and later in China, and who died on February 10, aged 90, left unsettled property of the gross value of £198,240.

The engagement is announced, and the marriage will take place shortly, of James Westlake Platt, of Auckland, New Zealand, and Hong Kong, and Veronica Norma Hope Arnold, of Archirondel, Jersey.

Owing to confinement in the Shanghai General Hospital, Mr. Vaughn Brydson-Jack, general agent for the Canadian National Railways, will not be sailing to Canada on home leave. His ultimate departure at present is indefinite.

The marriage arranged between Mr. C. F. D. Lowe, of Hankow, and Joyce, elder daughter of the late Herbert E. Green, of Kobe, and of Mrs. Charles A. Fraser, of 69, Crystal Palace Park Road, Sydney, N.S.W., was to take place at the Brompton Oratory on June 25.

Passengers arrived by the "Rawalpindi" this morning include Mr. A. E. Burr, Mrs. Burr, and child, Mr. Burr, Jun., Mr. H. A. Browning, Mrs. E. Kirman and two children, Mr. H. L. Mackenzie, Surg.-Comdr. Patterson, T.C., R.N., Mr. O. C. Womack, and Mr. W. J. Wilton.

The death took place in London in mail week of Baron Swaythling, head of the great banking firm of Samuel Montagu and Co. He was in his 58th year, and is succeeded by his son, the Hon. Stuart Samuel Montagu, who is 29. Lord Swaythling was probably one of the richest men in the country, and was reputed to be worth about three millions. The barony was created in 1907, and he succeeded to the title in 1914, at which time little was known of him in public life. In the Jewish world, however, his activities and benefactions had won for him general esteem. He was a Liberal in politics and an opponent of Women's Suffrage, but he seldom spoke on public affairs.

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OLYMPIC SENSATION.

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Paris, July 20. Following the Senate's adjournment of the question of the necessary vote of credit the French Olympic Committee has decided that France will not participate in the Amsterdam Games.

The Federation of Sports Associations have also decided to prohibit members in any way assisting in the organization of the Games.—Reuter.

HOME GOLF.

SCORES IN NEWSPAPER TOURNAMENT.

Glenage, July 20. The leaders at the end of the qualifying round of the £1,000 "Glasgow Herald" golf tournament were—

Melhorn	70	(140)
Compston	70	(142)
Tom Barber	69	(142)
Cavendish	69	(142)
Twine	73	(143)
Stewart Burns, Cruden Bay	71	(143)
Charles Whitcombe	75	(145)
Kirkwood	77	(147)
Ernest Whitcombe	72	(147)
Young	75	(149)
Braid	75	(149)
Ray	75	(150)
Havers	75	(150)

Boomer played indifferently and did not return a card. Thirty-two qualified in the match play stages. Duncan qualified after tying with nine others with a score of 154 for the last five places.—Reuter.

LOCAL TENNIS.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH Y.M.C.A. DEBUT.

The St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club will make their debut in local tennis when the following will represent them in a friendly match against the Hong Kong University at the Pokfulam courts on Sunday, July 24, at 4 p.m.

A. B. Hamson and W. J. Howard, W. Gittins and E. F. Fincher, W. Hunt and F. Grose.

DEMPSEY'S DEFENCE

WHY TUNNEY SHOULD WIN AGAIN.

New York.—Dempsey, think the experts, will have a tough time surviving even the elimination series for the boys with wise noodles figure they have hit upon the right way to fight him.

At present Dempsey says it's Tunney or no one, that as former champion he is entitled to a return bout.

Jack is a "straight-line fighter." His rush is of such tornadic ferocity that a foe who backs away is lost. That's why Tunney stood up to him all through his recent battle. Against an opponent with intelligent footwork (Gibbons, Brennan, Tunney) his rush is nullified to a very extent.

Opponents who circle away and force Dempsey to turn break the terrific momentum of the "Killer's" assault. If a challenger like Jack Delaney or Jack Sharkey reaches the semi-finals of the elimination tournament against Dempsey, most experts will rate Dempsey the losing ticket.

Clipped on the Neck. Jimmy Maloney, who is fast on his feet, would have a good chance against Dempsey, though the Boston boy's tendency to stand and swap might prove fatal. Paul Bernbach and Paulino Uzcudum figure to give the ex-champion a thrilling battle, but any man that Jack can hit right will go down to defeat.

Dempsey still has his punch—at least enough of it to make him dangerous, don't forget that. Students of boxing tell you that Tunney fought the perfect fight in bringing about the defeat of Dempsey; still Gene was nailed, almost fatally, on two or three occasions.

He was clipped on the neck and was hoarse for a week. His ribs were sore and swollen and the flesh discoloured for long afterward. If it should be Dempsey's fortune to come through the tournament as Tunney's opponent next September the chances of Jack regaining the crown appear slim, however.

Tunney Harder. "But I was out of the ring for so long," Jack explains. "I thought after two or three rounds, I would blow up much worse than I did," he continues in an interview. "This elimination tournament will sharpen me up and there will not be the strain of a world's championship at stake."

Yes, had as Dempsey looked that rainy night his physical resources were not so greatly impaired after all. He would never have lived through the ten rounds under the beating that was dealt out to him and saw him all but punched blind. He never went down once.

But remember this. He may be a better Dempsey than the one of a year ago, yet for the purposes of fighting for the title Tunney will be harder to beat than ever.

AMERICA AND US.

WHY THEY TURN OUT BETTER BOXERS.

THE MILLIGAN LESSON.

The defeat of Tommy Milligan in the fight for the Middle-Weight Championship of the World at Olympia has caused much disappointment among followers of boxing in Great Britain. Milligan had done so well in recent years that there was considerable justification for the expectation that he would secure a title for the Old Country. Compared with other performers at Home, he appeared a master of the "Game." He went to the States last year to get a fight with Walker but this was denied him, and it was thought in some quarters that Mr. Walker wasn't very keen about risking his title in a match with the Scot.

However, Walker came over to England, got a guarantee of £23,000, and on the last day of June demonstrated that he knew more about boxing than the British Champion.

These Americans "sure can pull things off." Milligan is still very young, but it will be extremely difficult for him to recover sufficiently from what happened at Olympia to do anything very big in boxing in future. He was gallant enough to stand up to Walker when he had been battered very badly. British boxers are enhancing their reputation for that soft of thing. Not long ago Elky Clark, another British "hope," astounded an American crowd with his gameness when he met Fidel La Barba. He did not win, however.

The Secret. Why is it Americans hold the majority of boxing championships? The obvious answer is that they produce better boxers, men who know more about boxing than the fellows on the other side of the Atlantic. We cannot get away from the fact that there is more than natural aptitude for fighting required to make a man a Champion. He has got to learn a great deal. He has got to study the finer points of boxing, and if he has not got the inclination for "picking up" hints, he has got to have sensible advice "knocked into" him.

The Americans, as has so often been stated, are never content just to gain a fair knowledge of sport and then to depend for successes upon this knowledge and natural ability. They make it their concern to learn everything, or almost everything, there is to be learned about a sport.

Milligan is a pretty boxer, is clever, and has the right temperament. But did he receive all the instruction and preparation he should have received before attempting to dethrone a Champion? We very much doubt it. Indeed, we would wager he did not.

For one thing there are more boxing experts in the United States than in Great Britain. Milligan's trainer may be perfectly sound in his methods, but knowing how much more advanced are American methods compared with those of British trainers, we contend that Milligan could hardly be expected to give a better exhibition than a first-class American boxer.

Walker has had the advantage ever since he showed himself to be a boxer above the ordinary of being under the management of Jack Kearns, who has shaped the destinies of some of the most prominent boxers in the world, and he has had crammed into his head many things about what to do in training.

There is no doubt that there are boxers who can think for themselves and become highly proficient in the art. Jim Driscoll and Jimmy Wilde are examples of this. The fact remains, however, that most boxers have to be taught an immense amount, and until there are in Great Britain better teachers and exponents of the more advanced methods the chances of a Home-trained boxer taking a title from an American are slight. Of course, there is more money for boxing in America, and the sport attracts people that British boxing cannot. It is regrettable that Milligan lost, as he is a very fine fellow in many respects. He may achieve his ambition one day, despite the great setback he suffered at Olympia.—Ex.

and I never know a good player who did not keep it—now solidly lick pencils and write 80's and 40's above the line with assiduity. No one seriously regrets the abolition of "chicanery," which was an insult to the bad hand like an inadequate tip to a butler.

One thing only I regret—that it has so far been decided to retain the stupid penalty of 50 for looking at the last trick—a penalty without logical reason, conceived in nervous irritability and directed against nervous aberration, a penalty never enforced among genial players, and therefore an encumbrance to the rules—surely purely a matter of manners and etiquette.

BRIDGE REFORMS.

THE MAJORITY CALLING PROBLEM.

SCOPE OF MINOR SUITS.

It is a sad fact of life that in this world you get nothing without asking. Very little by asking alone, and still less by asking politely. This is a lesson we learn from childhood onwards (writes Sir A. Hamilton Grant, K.C.S.I., in the "Evening Standard").

The good child goes on acquiescing in an order which its soul abhors, and abides a slave to the conservative tyranny of the nursery. The bad child screams blue murder, kicks Nanny in the stomach, is probably sent to bed—but gains its point. The old order change—concessions are given; and if the bad child is also a wise child that knows not only its own father, but also its nurse, there will be further rampuses and further victories.

In the broader fields of life this is equally true. Throughout a quarter of a century of service in India I have seen Governments, supreme, local and parochial, solemnly and sonorously declare that though constitutional representations will be always considered, no form of ill-treatment will be for a moment tolerated; indeed, such agitation will only put the clock back. The agitation has taken place, and lot in direct proportion to its violence, Government has given way, and like the lady in the poem, "loving she would never consent, consented."

A Cause and its Champion. Having in mind this human frailty, some of us, who were anxious to see some improvements in the game of Auction Bridge, as played in England were delighted to find a leading newspaper which was desirous of making a move in the same direction, and readily accepted the invitation of the "Evening Standard" to co-operate to this end. It was obvious that if the desired alterations were to be introduced in the near future public interest must be aroused, the case must be clearly and widely explained, and attention drawn to the lethargy of those from whom the initiative might constitutionally have been expected.

The upshot has been that a conference of the leading Bridge-playing clubs has agreed to an immediate redraft of the Laws of Auction Bridge, admitting Majority Calling and decimal honours in all suits, abolishing chicanery, and making a number of minor alterations. Whatever anyone may say, this prompt action is due entirely to the campaign in the "Evening Standard." The contemplation of a may-have-been contemplating a religion of the rules; but their mills like those of other high authorities, grind slowly, and without this stimulus nothing much would have happened for months—or years.

Let it rest at that. For this is not a hymn of triumph—still less an apology. The comments I have heard on the changes about to be effected in the rules are amazing in their diversity.

"Well, I shall never play Bridge again," said one good lady. "It has taken me three years to learn that you cannot go Four Clubs over Three Spades—and now they are equal!"

"What! Is that all they're going to do?" said another. "I thought they meant to abolish the revoke and make Clubs and Diamonds the same value as Hearts and Spades."

What a Trial Reveals. As a matter of fact, after a little over a month's trial of Majority Calling and decimal honours at one of the leading clubs, the consensus of opinion in the cardroom is, I think, that the game is greatly enlivened by the change. The sole complaint is that the rubbers tend to be a little more prolonged. The drowning player clutches at the straw of Five Clubs and goes down—only to come up again and clutch afresh; and the game proceeds—sometimes, perhaps, to the annoyance of the hungry, circling vultures, who would have rejoiced to see the moribund side receive the coup de grace from a brutal Four Hearts or Four Spades. But this is a trifling drawback, and occurs seldom.

On the other hand, there is the splendid added scope of the minor suits—a sword or a pitfall. For, of course, Majority Calling, while appearing to simplify, really makes the game more difficult. Anything that adds lighting ground must be to the advantage of the more skilful and daring fighter. The moderate player is saved, it is true, from the trap of the undercall by Majority Calling—but he loses the advantage of heavy Spades or Hearts—and has to learn by experience the quicksands that beset new adventures in the minor suits.

This is exactly what was wanted—to make the game more elastic, more sensitive to the touch of inspiration, more disastrous to the foolhardy bungler. Anyone can make a game easier. It is a feat to make it legitimately more difficult.

The Decimal Honours. As to the decimal honours, they make for simplicity, and I have seen men who have not had the added score right once in fifty rubbers, glowing with pride at the perfect accord of their additions with the rest of the table. Men who never kept the score before for fear of the sevens and nines—(Continued at foot of preceding column.)

THE REVELLERS.

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A TALENTED COMPANY.

The newly formed "Revellers" Company of amateur entertainers gave an excellent concert at the "Better Ole" (Peking Road Y.M.C.A.) yesterday evening under the auspices of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee.

Every item went with a swing from the time that the curtain was drawn on a stage draped with black and coloured streamers setting off the tastefully designed costumes of the entertainers. The hall was packed to capacity and the artists were rewarded for the great pains that must have been taken in rehearsing a programme of such variety and quality, by the enthusiastic reception of every item.

The "Revellers" were assisted by the "Lyric" orchestra which played prior to the concert and during the interval, adding not a little to the success of the evening.

The choruses of the Company were original and humorous and the individual items also made a strong appeal. Mr. Wolgemuth has a pleasing voice which was well suited to "Mother Machree" and "Rose Marie," in the first part of the programme, and "Macgregor's Gathering" and "Mary of Argyle" in the second half. Mrs. Fleming is an old favourite with Hong Kong audiences and no stranger to the Services, and she earned well merited applause with "Carmena," "Beautiful Ohio" and "Come to the Fair." An excellent combination was the duet with Mrs. Fleming and Mr. F. C. Clemo ("Tea for Two").

The Tollen Girls. The Highland Sword dances were excellently performed and met with an enthusiastic response. In the first part of the programme, the local artists taking part were Miss L. Tollen and little Miss D. Tollen.

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and in the second half, Misses A. and L. Tollen. By permission of Lt.-Col. E. B. Ferrers, D.S.O., and officers of the 1st Cameronian, the following also took part: Pipe-Major Eddie, Lce./Cpl. Yates and Piper Davidson.

Mr. Jack Grenham brought some clever local allusions into his "Photo of the Girl I Left Behind me" and other comic songs. The Tambourine dance by Miss A. Tollen and Mrs. F. C. Clemo was well done and insistently enjoyed. In reply, Messrs. Grenham and Clemo took the stage with a mirth-provoking burlesque.

Mr. Clemo gave pleasing renderings of "Neapolitan Nights," "In Old Manila" and other favourites and Mr. W. R. Fleming, at the piano was responsible in no small measure for the success of the whole entertainment which was a credit for all concerned. The Y.M.C.A. must have involved the devotion of much time to rehearsals and the organisers have earned the thanks of the audience of Service men and others who were treated to a most enjoyable evening. It is to be hoped that the talented performers will be able to give more concerts of like quality at an early date.

B. MOISEVITSCH

FAMOUS PIANIST COMING TO HONG KONG.

Russia's distinguished pianist Moisevitch, who entered America's concert field so brilliantly not many years ago is unique in never having been a "boy prodigy." He is one of the eight children and only one of the others showed any special aptitude for music. This was an older sister, who was his first teacher and in spite of the boy's apparent bright talent she did not always find it an easy matter to hold his interest to the piano. He began his lessons when he was five and to an interviewer he declared recently that he has no recollection of those days at the keyboard. Later on at the age of ten he was quite a musical phenomenon at school and regarded as the most gifted student at the Warsaw Conservatory but young Benno

was a regular boy and grew up with as much interest in games and playing "hockey" as in music.

His artistic growth was sane and natural; at no period was it forced nor were his other studies neglected because of it and only when he had reached the age of fifteen was a musical career decided upon. Looked at logically, this is as it should be, and Moisevitch's accomplishments as a pianist, certainly prove that an artistic genius need be by no means a one-sided individual cut off from all other natural interests and broadening influences.

To-day, barely 30, this Russian artist stands beside the biggest piano talents of modern times, a distinct musical personality and at the same time an engaging quiet young gentleman, interested in a host of subjects unrelated to his art.

He comes to Hong Kong on August 6 and 8, and is giving two concerts at the Theatre Royal.

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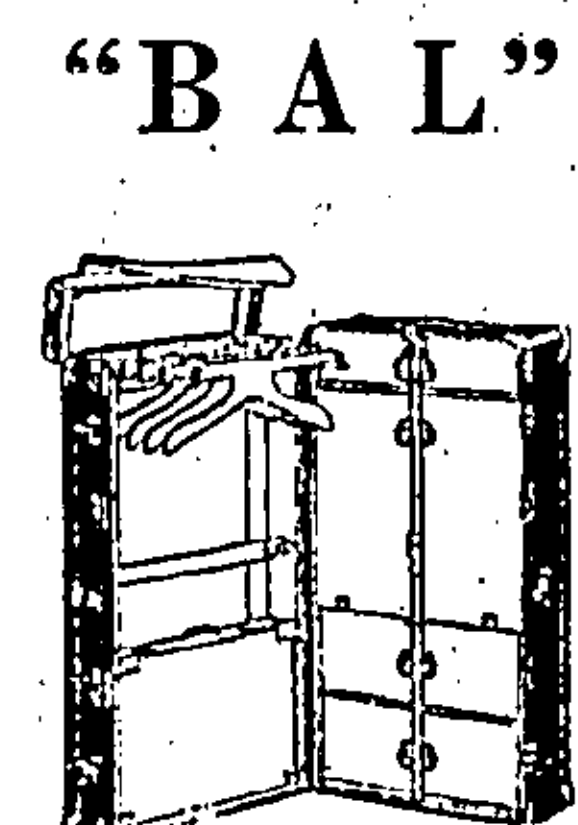
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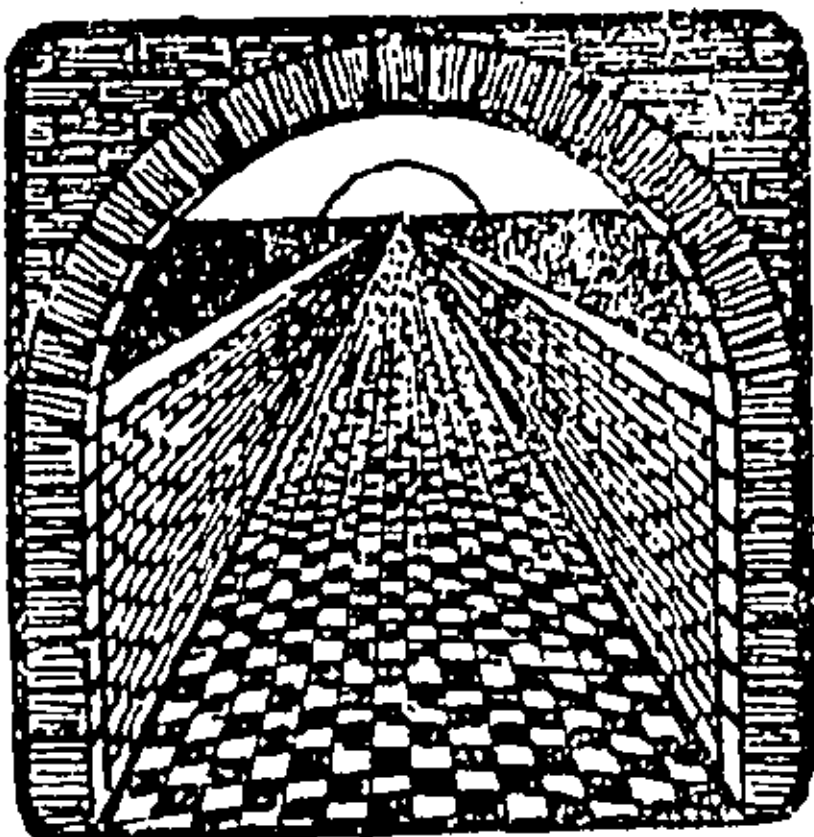
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THE WORLD OF BOOKS

LITERARY NOTES.

We are not likely, as had been hoped, to get the Earl of Oxford's personal memories this year, partly because of the extreme care with which he writes. Moreover, the task is a large one, for the "Reminiscences," as the simple title is to be, will run to two volumes, each of about three hundred pages. Lord Oxford works constantly on the book, although neuritis has been keeping him to his country home on the Thames.

Mr. Newman Flower, long Cassell's editor-in-chief and now the head of the house in its reorganised state, contemplates a book on Beethoven. But for the urgency of other matters, he would probably have gone to Vienna this spring to study and seek new material on the spot. The centenary celebrations have brought forth fresh lights on the great composer, but his letters remain comparatively unfamiliar to English readers. Mr. Newman Flower is devoted to music, and he is already the author of a Haydn biography which finds acceptance on the Continent as well as here.

There has recently been an observable revival of interest in the novels of George Gissing, and probably it has been helped by the publication of his family letters. Taking occasion by the hand, Mr. Everleigh Nash has arranged to give us, in a handsome form, five Gissing novels. They are "Demos," probably written in 1886, "Thyrza," which appeared in 1887, "A Life's Morning," "The Nether World," and "New Grub Street," possibly the best-known of all Gissing stories. Mr. Morley Roberts, who knew him well, will introduce the new edition in the first volume, "Thyrza."

All the world loves a soldier whose exploits have been somewhat more than wonderful, and that can certainly be said about Baron Francis von der Trenck. He was a warrior blessed with a spirit of bravado, with skill in swordsmanship with success in leadership, and with sentimental romance. Thomas Carlyle mentions him in his "Frederick the Great" but we have hitherto had no full account of him. Now we are to get the story of his life, which was a short, if a merry one, for it began in 1710 and ended in 1749. The biography has been written by Dr. Oscar Teichman, and Sir John Murray announces it.

English readers have already delighted in two volumes of the eighteenth century diary of Parson John Bresford. A third volume, about to appear with the Oxford Press, is said to be at least as diverting as the others. "All the familiar features" are here, we are told "the detailed talk of food, the trip to Somerset, the 'jaunts' and 'frolics' in Norwich, the kind neighbourliness of the Custases." A little drama also comes into the good person's life, and his niece Nancy to whom he is much attached is the heroine of it.

It is good to hear from the Macmillans that they are to publish Mr. Eden Phillpotts' Dartmoor novels in a small

"N.E.D."

AN ENDURING MONUMENT.

On the lowest shelf of one of the bookcases in the Head Master's Office are several very large dark red volumes which the teachers frequently consult. These comprise almost the whole of the greatest dictionary in the world. We still require three more volumes to have the complete work. Two of these have been published, and the final one is expected to issue from the press before the end of this year. It is known as the "N.E.D.," that is the New English Dictionary.

This king of dictionaries was begun as long ago as 1879. Over forty-eight years of very hard work, by a small army of scholars to make a dictionary. But then there is no other work of the kind to be compared with it. The man who conceived and undertook to produce this giant lexicon was James A. H. Murray, the son of poor Scottish parents. In the year 1878 he prepared and submitted to the delegates of the Clarendon Press, Oxford, specimen articles with the result that on March 1, 1879, he signed an agreement to be editor. He was then forty-two years of age and had already done much valuable work in connection with words.

It was proposed that materials should be collected for a dictionary which, by the completeness of its vocabulary, and by the application of the historical method to the life and use of words, might be worthy of the English Language and English Scholarship. An appeal was made for volunteers to collect and send in quotations from specified books. More than eight hundred enthusiasts, including several from America and the Dominions, responded, and slips containing quotations telling the histories of words and by whom they had been used poured in. When the editor fairly started his herculean task he had no fewer than five millions of them to work with.

Reading went on steadily. There were thirty-eight sub-editors giving gratuitous services arranging quotations, preparing definitions, etc. They did splendid work. One reader by the year 1888 had sent in no fewer than 165,000 slips.

The main work was done in a building called "The Scriptorium," a tin erection in Dr. Murray's garden. It was lined with pigeon holes and contained copies of every available dictionary in almost every European Language. In the introduction it says: "The aim of this dictionary is to furnish an adequate account of the meaning, origin, and history of English words now in general use or known to have been in use at any time during the last seven hundred years." To get the history of every word in the English language and show how these words had been used in the different centuries was a stupendous undertaking, and more than once, Murray and his assistants were so appalled with the magnitude of the task and the slow rate of progress that they almost gave up in despair. It was not until 1884 that volume one containing words down to Ant-

paper edition. Sincere students of modern English fiction have always recognised the effort in these novels to present the life of Dartmoor, as Mr. Thomas Hardy presents Wessex in his great work. It was in Mr. Arnold Bennett's tribute, "an effort as large and as finely sustained as any in fiction," but perhaps it was not, at the time, cheered with enough success. Now Mr. Phillpotts himself is very much better known, thanks, for one thing, to his plays, and so his beloved "Dartmoor" returns.

peared. This volume, which is by no means the biggest, contains twelve hundred and forty large pages. "Few people," says one of the sub-editors, "can have any just notion of the toll and strain involved in the task—mental, physical, and financial." In one of his letters Dr. Murray writes: "Meanwhile I have to open all my available savings and to borrow largely to keep it going." Again in another letter we have, "I get utterly disheartened at times with the slowness of our progress. Indeed I am in a chronic state of melancholy about it. It haunts me awake and asleep with the terrible struggle that we have had to take a short breathing time at Whitsuntide."

Oxford University gave a great dinner to all the leading "N.E.D." helpers in 1897. In the chair was Bishop Stubbs, lately Governor of Hong Kong. He began his speech with the witty remark: "I cannot say I lack for words to-night." At that table Dr. Murray said: "The dictionary will be finished in 1908 at the latest, in 1910 at latest. Alas for the vanity of human prophesying! In 1912 the prediction was that it would be finished in 1916. Dr. Murray, in spite of advancing years worked as hard as ever and lived long enough to see the work 'twenty' in print. That was in 1915. The war came and caused various delays in spite of the hard work of the three editors Dr. Craigie, Dr. Bradley, and Mr. C. T. Onions. Dr. Murray, a hero both in words and deeds, toiled determinedly on until a fortnight before he died, aged 78. As one of his co-laborers remarked: 'Perhaps no man in Britain ever worked so hard for seventy years as he did.'

And so within a few months the world will have at last this great standard work containing not only the meaning (very often the various meanings) but also the history of every word in the English Language. Every word has been studied microscopically and dissected. No word has been too insignificant to escape. In order to appreciate the thoroughness and unique completeness of the work let us look at two common words, "Point" and "Put." In geometry a point is defined as having position but no magnitude; the New English Dictionary devotes twenty-one columns of close print to the word "N.E.D.," each with its own quotation, the earliest occurrence and one if possible, or more, for each following century. Such is the invaluable rule of this dictionary.

In the volumes already issued there are 407,134 words with 1,780,320 quotations. To undertake such a task was daring and heroic; to carry on for so many more years than was anticipated required dogged pluck and tenacity. Only a labour of love and the high enthusiasm of so many brilliant scholars who loved learning for its own sake could have brought to fruition such an undertaking. The New English Dictionary will be a standard of reference as long as the English Language is spoken and studied. It will be the father of every future English dictionary, and generations yet unborn will consult it in all parts of the world as the highest authority of English words.

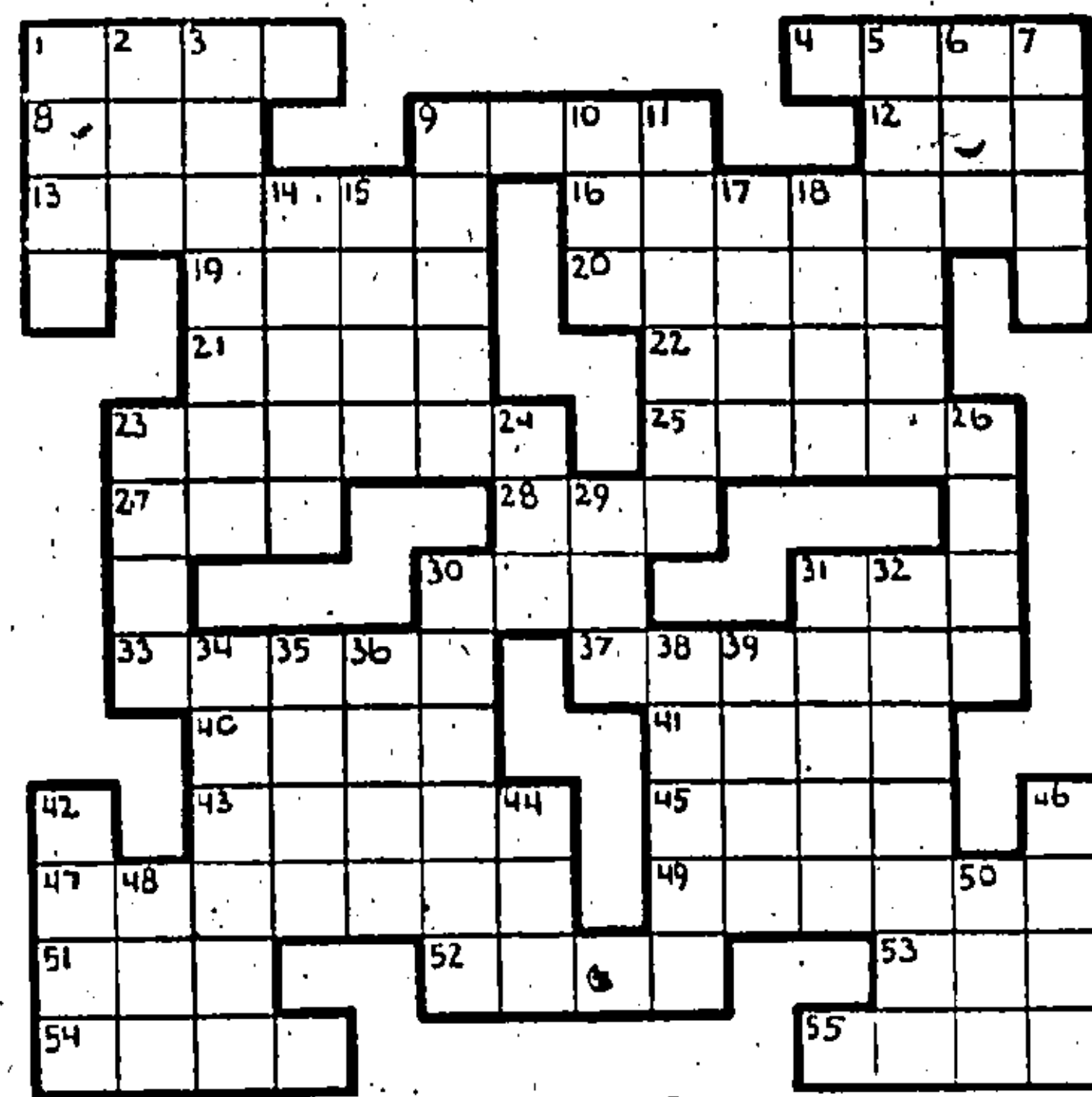
It is reassuring to know that an age frequently branded as pleasure-loving and dollar-chasing, sceptical and materialistic, an age of high living and low-thinking, has in the single domain of philology produced men like Murray, Bradley, Craigie and Onions, as well as the many sub-editors and assistants who have given us this mighty book of words: men who loved knowledge as a lover adores his mistress, men who had the necessary gifts and equipment to acquire riches, win fame, or enjoy cultured ease had they so desired, but who turned their backs on such alluring prospects and unselfishly dedicated their time, talents, and extraordinary capacity for taking pains to the cause of learning. As Milton remarks, "Peace hath her victories no less renowned than War." She has also her heroes, those modest tireless workers who labour unceasingly in the secrecy of the study and the laboratory in order that humanity may benefit by their efforts, men who deserve far more the title, Hero, than many of those military

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Fruit of the pine
- 4-Secure
- 8-Exist
- 9-Up to the time of
- 12-Fish with spear-like snout
- 13-Made over again
- 16-Oriental
- 19-Admiral, dash
- 23-A fabled giant
- 24-Storage pit for fodder
- 22-Enraptured
- 23-Organ of body (pl)
- 25-To adorn
- 27-To employ
- 28-Long-eared equine
- 30-A playing card
- 31-A farm animal
- 32-Pertaining to place
- 37-An outpouring of tears
- 40-A pad, as of cotton

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 41-An edible root
- 43-A fierce carnivore
- 45-Always
- 47-Bravery
- 49-Geographic memorial
- 51-Half ems
- 52-Female sheep (pl)
- 53-A country of N. America (abbr.)
- 54-Observed
- 55-Athen
- 1-Solitude
- 2-Crude metal
- 3-Who was the Greek goddess of vengeance?
- 5-Deputize
- 6-Distant
- 7-Eagle
- 8-High male voice
- 10-To permit

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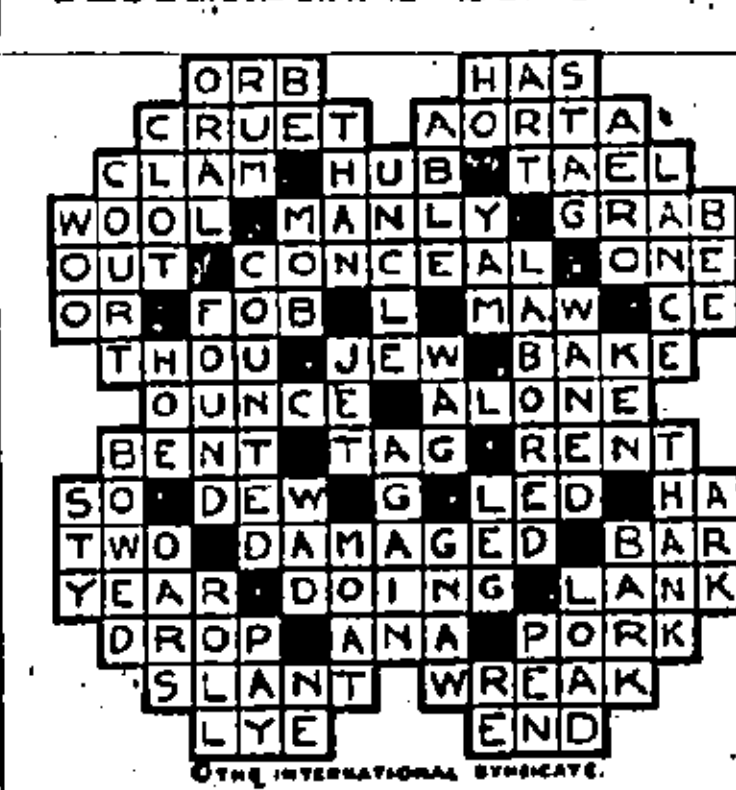
- 11-Lords (Scott)
- 14-Active
- 15-Small valley
- 17-First-class actress
- 18-Flat strip of paper
- 23-To calm
- 24-Membranous pouch
- 26-Wise
- 29-Appoint
- 30-To state
- 31-Scraggle
- 32-Fragrant
- 34-Stupid
- 35-Cocoon-husk "ber"
- 36-A seaweed
- 38-Entries in an account
- 39-To utter wildly
- 42-Freeses
- 44-A hedgerow
- 46-A color
- 48-A number
- 50-Suffix. Somewhat

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

maniacs who have waded to publicity through a welter of blood and a chorus of groans. To erect memorials of bronze or marble to those scholars would be superfluous: wherever the New English Dictionary is—in the home, in the school, in the public library, or in the university—there is a monument "which eyes not yet created shall o'er-read," a monument more noble than any made with hands, more lasting than stone or triple brass. The New English Dictionary is a victory of Peace, and Murray and his assistants have earned niches in Britain's Valhalla. Their work shall endure.—W. K. in the "Yellow Dragon."

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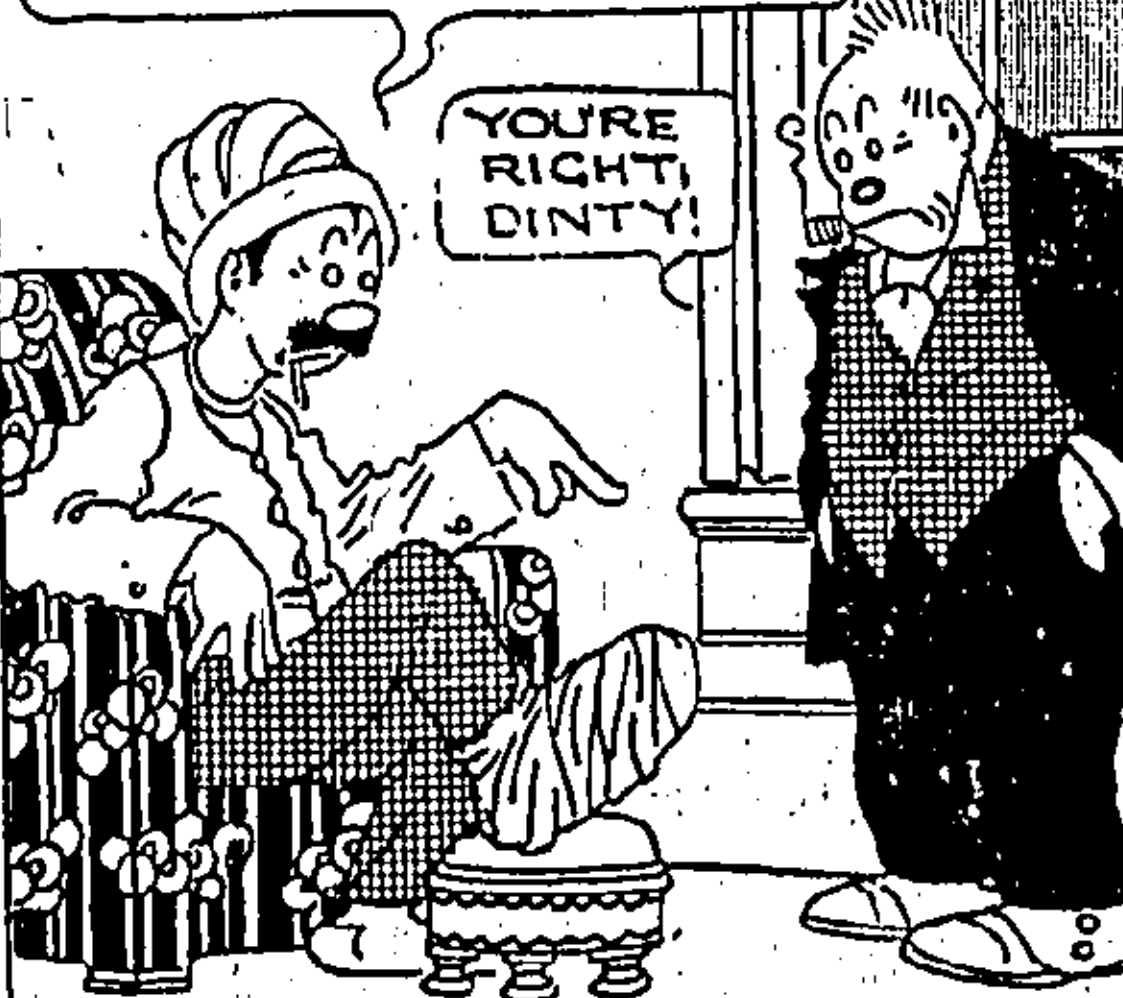
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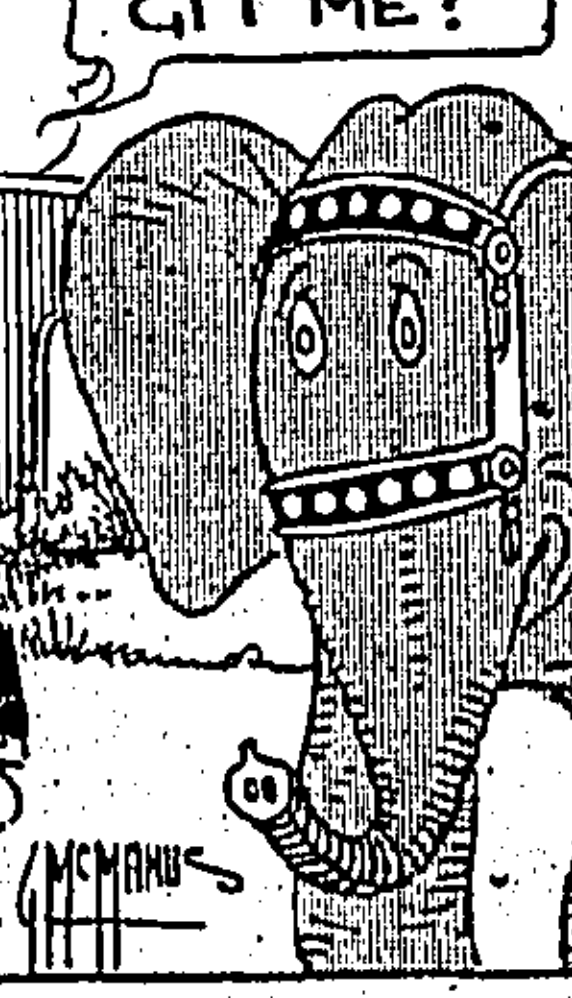
I'LL GO AN' ASK THE RAJAH'S SECRETARY WHAT HIS NAME IS!



WE CALL THAT ELEPHANT, 'ELAHMAHAJIKITACOSIBA' FOR SHORT, BUT HIS RIGHT NAME IS—



YOUR NAME IS CONNA BE TOM-GIT ME?



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At long last it seems that a definite move is to be made against the out-and-out Communists who have been over-running Hankow and other Yangtze ports for the best part of six months. Together with foreigners, the main military factions are beginning to realise that the first step towards the salvation of China must necessarily be the extermination of the Borodin-Eugene Chen clique.

With this end in view, political experts see the imminence of a north and south truce, with the Communists as the common enemy. How the hotch-potch Chinese situation has materialised into something definite is fully told in this week's "Overland Mail."

This issue also contains the cream of the local news of the week. It will keep those at Home in touch with what is happening in Hong Kong, in China and throughout the Far East generally. Let us mail it for you.

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"THE OVERLAND CHINA MAIL."

THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Although 86 years of age, Capt. E. W. Turner, of Garston, is to stand as Conservative candidate for the Liverpool City Council.

The Albert Medal of the Royal Society of Arts for the current year has been awarded to Sir Aston Webb "for distinguished services to architecture."

For the visit of the King to open the Gladstone Dock at Liverpool art societies in the city have been asked to design schemes of street decoration.

At a meeting of the British Sugar Beet Society the executive committee's proposal to wind up the society was not approved and the meeting was adjourned.

Surrey County Council referred back a recommendation to permit Sunday music at hotels and restaurants provided that meals were served at the same time.

The King's medal, with clasp "1926," for the champion shot of the military forces in India, has been won by Sergeant B. Cartwright, 1st South Staffordshire Regiment.

A section of the Chatham and Dover line (Southern Railway) will be closed to traffic for the reconstruction of a bridge between Sole Street and Rochester Stations.

The start from Cranwell Aerodrome, Lincolnshire, of the non-stop flight to India by Flight-Lieuts. Carr and Mackworth was postponed owing to unfavourable wind conditions.

The body of a hunchback, believed to be James Cook, of Ilford, was found in the Thames at Ham, near Twickenham ferry, tied by the waist to a buttress of the Ham Draw Dock.

Tourist third-class travel facilities are enabling Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bjernson, who arrived at Southampton in the Cunard liner "Berengaria," to travel from America to Iceland and back for £43 10s. each.

Miss Winnie Melville, who is playing the lead in "The Vagabond King" at the Winter Garden Theatre, Drury Lane, W.C., is suffering from a slight nervous breakdown.

A Boy Scout, William Sargent, aged 15, of Bartholomew Square, E.C., who saved a boy from drowning at Victoria Embankment on March 6, was presented at Bow Street Police Court with a watch and a £5 cheque from the Carnegie Hero Fund and a Royal Humane Society certificate.

It was reported to Grimsby Health Committee that every baby born in the town the previous month survived.

Mail week saw the centenary of the incorporation of the Company of Watermen and Lightermen of the River Thames.

The gold medal of the International Aeronautical Federation has been awarded Sir Alan Cobham for his Australian flight.

"Thank" is the title of a new farce by Mr. Ben Travers which is being rehearsed for production at the Aldwych Theatre, W.C.

The German cruiser "Moltke," raised upside down from the floor of Scapa Flow, was towed a further quarter of a mile towards her beaching place.

Four passengers were hurt in Old Broad Street, E.C., when the hook of a crane engaged in building operations crashed on to the upper part of two omnibuses and smashed woodwork and windows.

Capt. William R. Bailey, who piloted his D. H. Moth from London to Gloucester for the occasion, was adopted prospective candidate by the Central Council of the Forest of Dean Conservative Association.

Lord Derby has declined an invitation of the Manchester Guardians Cottage Homes Committee to open new homes, Socialist members having suggested that a member of the board should have the honour.

At the jewellery shop of Edward Christopher, Limited, in the Quadrant, Brent Street, Hendon, N.W., a plate-glass window was broken and watches, rings and other articles stated to be worth about £400 were stolen.

Thieves who broke into the shop of Messrs. King and Heywood, in Scotland Road, Liverpool, and stole a number of suits, returned some nights later and changed the clothing they had previously taken for fresh outfits.

The fifth smash-and-grab raid in Bromley, Kent, was committed recently when thieves, who escaped in a motor-car, smashed the window of Mr. C. J. Hall's shop in the High Street and stole wrist-watches, rings, and other jewellery.

The centenary of the invention of the reaping machine by the Rev. Dr. Patrick Bell was marked by a special thanksgiving service in the little parish church at Carmyllie, Forfarshire, of which Dr. Bell was minister from 1843 to 1869.

Falling from a third-storey window in Kingsland Road, E., Mrs. Annie Zeelander, aged 40, was killed.

Police and Borstal Institution officers searched Potland for an 18-years-old Borstal boy named Joe Lee, who escaped.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Premier, has been elected a trustee of the British Museum in place of the Duke of Bedford, resigned.

Alderman J. G. Peace, "father" of Wycombe Corporation, who has entered upon his 90th year, has served on the town council for 55 years.

Lady Bailey won the open handicap, and Captain Sparks, of London, the pilot instructors' race, at Newcastle Aero Club flying meeting.

On holiday with his wife, Mr. George Wm. Mallinson, of Almondsbury, Huddersfield, fell from cliffs 150 feet high at Flamborough Head and was killed.

The English players of the Albert Premier Theatre in Paris scored a big success at the Flemish Theatre Antwerp, with Mr. Edgar Wallace's play "The Ringer."

The coal output for the week ended June 4 was 5,102,900 tons by 1,022,500 wage earners, compared with 5,071,000 tons and 1,025,700 employees in the preceding week.

The Scottish National Championship for shooting was won at Dechmont, near Glasgow, by Police Sub-Inspector R. Walker, of Rhodessa, who returned a total score of 171.

While Frederick Biddlecombe, aged 15, of Wood Green, N., was hauling a rope of a lift in Woolworth's Stores, Southend, the rope snapped and the lift descended, fatally crushing the boy.

Passengers by an in-coming German air liner had a bird's-eye view of a ceremony, performed for the first time on Folkestone Leas where the massed drums and fifes and pipers of the Shorncliffe garrison regiments sounded the "Retreat."

Having served as clerk to the Vintners' Company for 52 years—a record it is believed, in the history of City companies—Mr. Charles Lomes, of Roehampton, has resigned. He is succeeded by Mr. Harold B. Tuffin. Mr. Lomes's father held the same office for 48 years, father and son thus having a total service of 100 years.

AT THE QUEEN'S.

"SHOULDER ARMS" TO-DAY
TO SATURDAY.

Here is a dual programme that is worth while. Charlie Chaplin appears as a private soldier of great possibilities, obsessed with dreams of honour and glory, and buckets full of medals at the end of a victorious campaign.

He gets all the glory in the shape of trenches full of mud and water, the honour in the shape of his comrades' appreciation when he finds stores of good liquor and the medals when he captures the Kaiser and his staff.

"The Terror."
Fast action, thrills and love are the necessities for a successful motion picture. These are the component parts of "The Terror," the Universal Blue Street Western, starring Art Acord.

This picture, with its fine story, its excellent cast and its first rate direction, is one of the most entertaining pictures offered for many weeks.

Acord's long experience in the saddle and his leading lady's long experience in the Ziegfeld Follies, offer a combination of leads hard to beat. Velma Connor is decidedly sweet as the heroine and the cause of much of the action.

There is a bandit's hiding place to which Acord goes when mistaken for another holdup man. Here things happen rapidly as the band gets a dastardly plot under way to rob a rancher and steal his daughter.

But being "in" with the bandits, Acord sees an opportunity to frustrate the plan, whereupon follow several reels of entertainment.

A brilliant supporting cast is composed of Edmund Cobb, Dudley C. Hendricks, C. E. Anderson, Jess Deifebach and Hank Bell.

WORLD THEATRE.

"TONGUES OF FLAME" TO-DAY
TO SATURDAY.

Thomas Meighan comes next in a Paramount screen version of "Tongues of Flame," the last novel by the late Peter Clark Macfarlane—a Joseph Henabery production with Bessie Love, Eileen Percy and others playing in support of the star.

The picture shows how Boland, an unscrupulous business man, and Scanlon, his tricky lawyer, steal a large tract of land from the Indians. Through Boland's efforts three towns spring up on the land and thirty years later Boland, rich and powerful, rules the towns and everyone in them.

At the close of the Great War, "Hell Fire" Harrington, the role played by Tom Meighan, opens a law office in one of the towns. He falls in love with Boland's daughter, Billie, and for a time works for Boland, wilfully blind to the latter's unethical transactions. Then a little half-breed school teacher who is in love with Harrington, opens his eyes to the fact that Boland is using him as a tool to swindle the Indians for the second time.

In spite of the fact that Boland threatens to ruin and disgrace him Harrington takes up the Indians' fight. The squabble over property rights reaches the Supreme Court and is decided in the Indians' favour. This turns the entire town against Boland—and what a scene there is! Crowds surge through the streets firing war-houses and shipping. It's a case of mob rule until Harrington arrives on the scene with a little band of loyal Indians who had served in his company in the World War and brings the townspeople to their senses.

The story was adapted for the screen by Townsend Martin. Others in the cast include Cyril Ring, Nick Thompson, Burton Churchill, John Milner, Leslie Stowe, Jerry Devine and Kate Mayhew.

AT THE STAR.

"WRONG MR. WRIGHT" TO-DAY
TO SATURDAY.

Another cyclone of laughs with Jean Hersholt as its instigator and master of ceremonies is "The Wrong Mr. Wright." Its purpose is to furnish laughter to every man woman and child with a sense of humour. It is riotously funny—funnier than any picture to be shown here in many a day.

Imagine if you can, Jean Hersholt, heretofore portrayed of serious and semi-serious roles, cavorting on the screen as a full-fledged comedian. Somebody should be blamed for not "discovering" him as a comedian years ago.

The action begins with Jean, the old-maidish vice-president of a nearly defunct corset manufacturing company, taking his first vacation in twenty years to visit his boyhood-sweetheart. What happens when he finds her rolling in avoirdupois and surrounded by several incorrigible children, provides the basis of laugh after laugh.

Enid Bennett as the vamping woman detective, who tries to worm a confession out of Jean, only to fall in love with him herself, is excellently cast. She never overacts although it could easily be done in the part she portrays. Walter Hays, a featured comedian in his own right, does some exceedingly funny acting as do Dorothy Devore and Edgar Kennedy. The picture is simply pure entertainment with not a single dull moment.

There may be a crisis in the coal trade this year.—Mr. Cook.



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Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	22	Mishima Maru	9.30 a.m.
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FERDINAND'S END.

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Calm prevails in the capital. The troops have occupied all the public buildings.

Prince Carol Informed. The news of the King's death was telegraphed to the ex-Crown Prince Carol, whom the Government simultaneously informed of its firm resolution in respect of the decision of the Crown Council on January 4, 1926, accepting Prince Carol's renunciation of his rights to the Throne and declaring his son Michael to be heir.

British Condolences. Their Majesties King George and Queen Mary, privately telegraphed their condolences to Queen Marie.—Reuter.

Regency Council. Bucharest, July 19. The Council of Regency will consist of the King's second son.



Prince Nicholas.

Prince Nicholas, Patriarch Doctor Chistea, and the President of the Court of Appeal, M. Buz Dugan.

The Army is taking the oath of loyalty to King Michael immediately.

All places of amusement are closed till further notice. All meetings are forbidden. A Press censorship has been established. The remains of King Ferdinand will be buried on Saturday.—Reuter.

Long Live Michael I. Bucharest, later.

The Regency Council has been sworn in by the National Assembly.

King Michael was proclaimed Michael the First and ovated by the Assembly.—Reuter.

British Government's Message. Rugby, July 20. The British Government has addressed to the Roumanian Government a message expressing its condolence on the death of King Ferdinand.—Reuter.

A Tranquillising Element. Bucharest, later. A tranquillising element doubtless will be that in the Parliament elected last week the Government obtained 70 per cent. of the votes in the Chamber and 96 out of a total of 113 seats in the Senate.—Reuter.

Prince Carol's Undertaking. Paris, July 20. Roumanian circles are convinced that Prince Carol will not recant from his undertaking to renounce his hereditary rights and not return to Roumania for ten years.—Reuter.

STANDARD OIL.

NO BUSINESS DEALINGS WITH SOVIET.

NO PURCHASES CONTEMPLATED.

New York, July 20. The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey has issued a denial that it is negotiating the purchase of Russian oil products.

The "New York Times" points out that the Company will have no business dealings with the Soviet Government whilst the latter declines to recognise the rights of private property.—Reuter's American Service.

RUBBER PRICES.

RESTRICTION SCHEME TO STAND.

NO CHANGE IN CONDITIONS

Rugby, July 20.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies, Mr. L. M. S. Amery, was asked in the House of Commons whether, in view of the increased production of rubber outside the restriction area and of the recent fall in the price of this commodity, he was contemplating the withdrawal or substantial modification of the restriction scheme in force.

Mr. Amery replied that in the present circumstances he did not contemplate either the withdrawal of the scheme or any alteration in the pivotal price on which it was based, or any other substantial variation in the provisions. If any change were to become necessary he would endeavour to give as long notice as possible. With regard to minor improvements in the working of the scheme, which might be considered desirable in the light of experience, he would repeat—as he stated in February last—that so long as the conditions under which the present scheme was operating remained substantially the same, he did not propose to suggest any substantial modification of its provisions. He was not aware that any substantial change had taken place in those conditions in the interval.—British Wireless Service.

Unused Coupons.

London, July 20.

Replying to Sir Frederic Wise Mr. Amery stated that the question of unused coupons was under continual consideration.

Brigadier-General Charteris asked for an idea of the length of notice likely to be given.

Mr. Amery said that he did not like to bind himself, but he certainly contemplated that it would be a matter of months.—Reuter.

BOMB IN NICE.

PROTEST AGAINST ITALIANS' CONVICTION.

New York, July 20.

The Nice Police are of opinion that the bomb outrage at the American Consulate is in protest against the conviction of Sacco and Vanzetti.—Reuter's American Service.

ALLEGED MUTINY.

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witness said, had a "fairly big mouth" and stood there saying a lot of things to the engineers.

The Captain ordered him to be put in irons. It was when the Officers attempted to carry out the order that the "big fight" took place. First accused took a big part in the attack on the Officers.

First accused said that when he saw No. 2 being handcuffed for no reason at all went to his assistance to try and get him out.

Mr. Lindell: What business is that of yours? By your own admission you are guilty of mutiny. The accused said that they had completed their period of service and wished to be paid off in Hong Kong. The Officers had no right to detain them, and put them in irons.

The Magistrate gave an adjournment until 11 a.m. on Saturday, and instructed the Third Officer to produce the crew's articles for his inspection.



The ex-Crown Prince Carol of Roumania and his son Michael, who has been proclaimed King Michael I.

FLYING CROSSES.

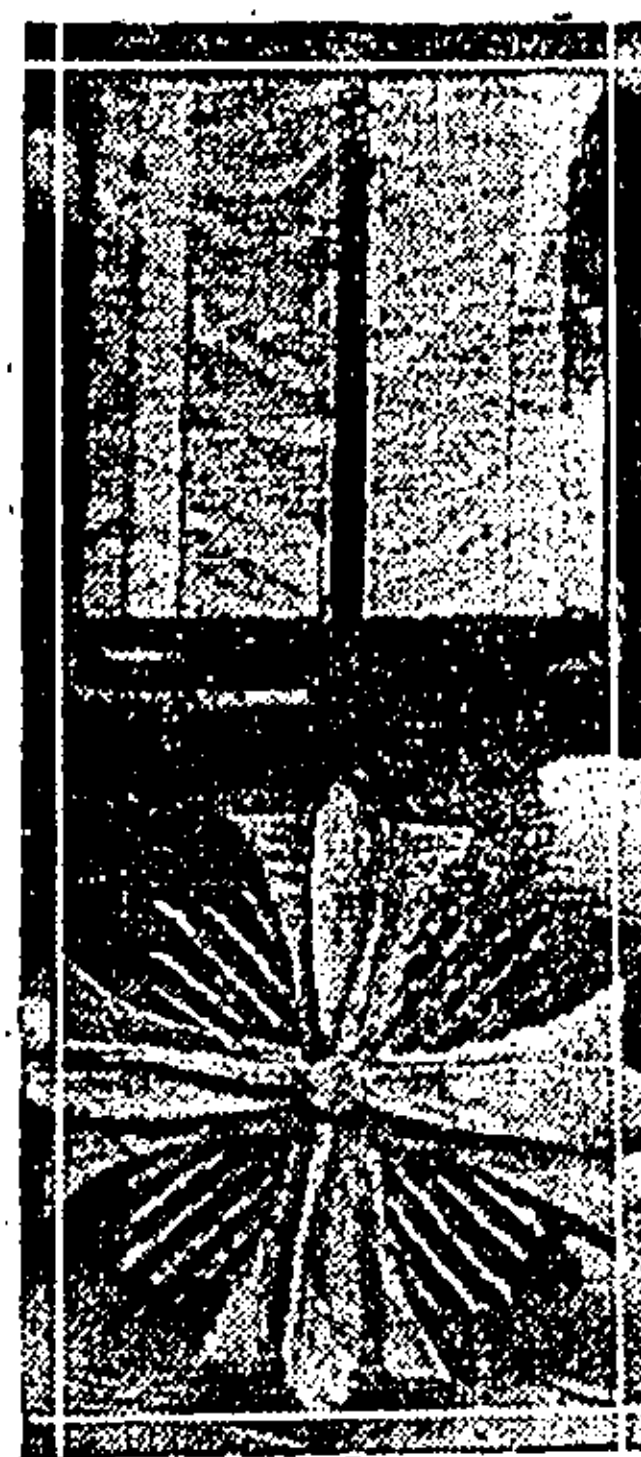
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New York, July 20.

At a banquet in honour of Commander Byrd and the crew of the trans-Atlantic monoplane, also Mr. Clarence D. Chamberlin, the Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Wilbur, on behalf of President Coolidge, presented Commander Byrd and Lieutenant Noville with Distinguished Flying Crosses for their flight to France.

Chamberlin, Balchen, and Acosta are ineligible for the medal.



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as they do not belong to the United States forces.—Reuter's American Service.

FOR THE ANTARCTIC.

Byrd Plans Extensive Flying.

New York, July 20.

Although still feted, as the guests of the city, Commander Byrd and his companions are anxious to be off on their Antarctic trip. Balchen intends being at Antwerp on August 1, where a plane similar to the one Byrd went to the North Pole in is being built at Fokker's factory.

Immediately the plane is approved by Mr. Kinkade, an expert of the Wright Aeronautical Company, Balchen and Kinkade will fly to Norway where the plane will be dismantled and shipped to America.

Should they arrive by September 1 extensive flying will be done in the Antarctic this year but Byrd anticipates that two or three years must elapse before the flight to the Pole will be attempted.—Reuter's American Service.

CAPTAIN COURTNEY.

Flight Postponed to New York.

Rugby, July 20.

Captain Courtney made a further trial flight this morning with a view to testing his wireless apparatus. He found that certain adjustments were still necessary, and accordingly he has postponed his attempt to fly to New York until to-morrow.—British Wireless Service.

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